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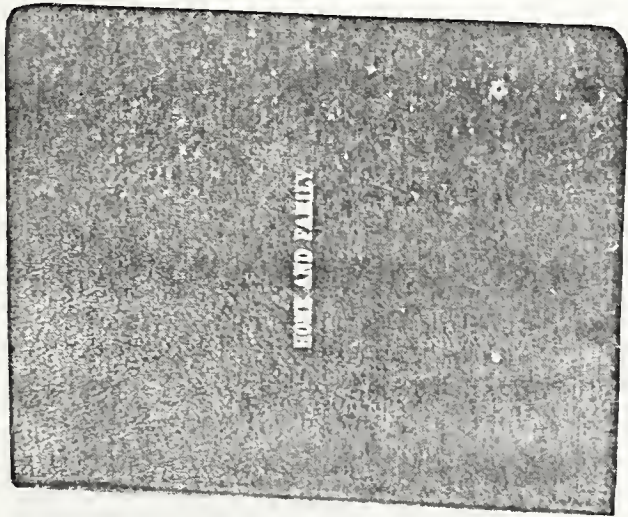
The Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays
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Literature and Early History of the Family.

The first effort made to preserve the history of this family appears to have been made by General Green Clay. I have been unable to obtain a copy of his manuscript, but Cassius M. Clay made a statement in his "Memoirs," and quoted a letter from Porter Clay, who was a brother of Henry Clay, the well known orator, who was known as the "Mill Boy of the Slashes." Both of these statements are incorporated in "The Clay Family" which was written by Hon. Zachary Smith and Mrs. Mary Rogers Clay and the statement is made that they had access to the MSS of General Green Clay while compiling their history. Their work has been indispensable in my work. For convenience it is cited merely "Clay Family."

The "Clay Family" gives considerable of the early history of the family, but deals principally with the Kentucky descendants. The authors appear to have lost trace of the branch which came to Georgia, and say very little of the Alabama Branch of the family. The history of the Alabama Branch, however is contained in the "Early Settlers of Alabama," by Col. James E. Saunders, which I have used and found of considerable assistance. It is cited merely "Saunders." Saunders, however, appears to also have been in ignorance of the Georgia Branch of the family.

Fortunately, there was published in 1906, by David E. Johnston, "A History of the Middle New River Settlements and Contiguous Territory," which supplied the key needed to con-

nect many of the Georgia Clays with their kindred throughout the other Southern States.

Notes left by Beheathland (Clay) Rigsby at her death connect the Georgia Clays with the Clays mentioned in the above History, which will be cited as "Johnston" and from the information supplied in these notes and in this history, I have connected the various lines and joined them to a common ancestry, so far as possible.

The notes referred to as left by Beheathland (Clay) Rigsby above differ, in the names and number of brothers who came from England to America, from the statement made by Porter Clay and Cassius M. Clay. They each, that is Cassius and Porter, say that three brothers came. My mother, Mrs. Beheathland (Clay) Rigsby, gives the number as two. Cassius and Porter gave their names as Charles, Thomas and Henry. My mother was not sure, but gave the names to the best of her recollection, as John and Lewis. She was correct as to the number who came and as to one of the names, that is, John. The other was named William. Now John and William had another brother named Richard, who was older than either John or William, and he had two sons who came to America, that is, Francis and Edward. It was evidently the sons, John, William and Richard, who Porter and Cassius had in mind, but they incorrectly named them; my mother evidently had in mind John and William.

In addition to the above manuscript

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I have had the Manuscript of Miss Frances Jones, from W. McDowell, Mrs., as well as a Manuscript furnished me by Mrs. Mary Clay, of Americus, Ga.

Other information has been obtained from County Records, numerous books, by personal interviews and by correspondence and questionnaires supplying information from more than a hundred members of the family in Georgia and other states. The Manuscript of Miss Otken is cited simply "Otken," of Mrs. Mary Clay, Americus, Ga., simply "Clay", the other citations give the title of the book or other authority. Where no citation is given information has been obtained by means of questionnaires or is within the knowledge of the author.

The "Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays" begin their descent from the traditional Sir John Clay of England. His son, John "Claye" came to Virginia on the ship *Treasurer*, Feb. 1613, servant William Nicholls in the *Dutie*, May, 1619, wife Anne, in the *Ann* in August, 1623. He received grants of land as follows: 100 acres as an old planter before the government of Sir Thomas Dale and 1100 acres for the transportation of 23 persons on the "West" July 13, 1635. Land in Charles River County, (Clay Family).

William Clays (1638) brought over to Charles River County, Richard Bucher, Snalter Jochett, Adrian Marner, Thomas Stoakes and Tho. Seawell. (Early Immigrants, Geo. C. Greer.)

Richard Clay had a son, Francis Clay who came to America, 1649 (New England Historic Genealogical Register, Vol. 37, page 202). He brought over to Northumberland County, Virginia, 1653, the following parties: Wm. Bethell, Tho. Cleaves, Wm. Jones and Edwd. Simpson. Evidently Richard was the elder son and inherited his father's title and it is evident that Richard died between 1653 and 1655, because we find in 1655 that Francis Clay, Gent. brought over to Northumberland County, Virginia, the following parties: Wm. Bethell, John Cess, Tho. Cleaves, Mary Edwards, Henry Evans, Wm. Jones, Elizabeth Norman and Edward Simpson. (Early Virginia Immigrants, Greer.)

David Clay was administrator in the estate of Francis Clay and bond was made before William Clay, steward of the Manor of Mansfield, who sealed with his arms. This William Clay was probably the eldest son of Francis Clay, inheriting the title from his father, who inherited it from his father, Richard, who inherited it from his father, Sir John Clay (John Clay, Gent.) of England. (New England Historic Genealogical Register, Vol. 37, page 202.) Other immigrants coming to Virginia, bearing the Clay name were: Jon Clay, (1646), Jno. Clay, (1643), James City County, Thomas Clay (1646) Lower Norfolk County, Edward Clay (1650) Northumberland County, (Probably a brother of Francis above.) Mrs. Francis Clay (1652) and John Clay (1654) Westmoreland County. (Early Virginia Immigrants, Greer.)

Now before proceeding with the genealogy of the descendants of Sir John Clay, just a word as to the form of the name Clay. We notice that the first immigrant spelled his name, or it was spelled for him, "Claye," while the first William's name was spelled "Clays." From the Otken Manuscript we take the following which appears to have been taken from "The Clay Family by Frances Cowles" and is different from the "Clay Family" so often cited herein. Several localities in England were named because of the nature of the soil about them, and some of the people in these localities took the name as their own. So there arose families called Clay, Cley, Le Cley, Del Clay and De la Clay."

It is no uncommon thing to find the same name written with an "s" added to the termination and the fact that William Clays and John Claye were written differently, does not, I think, warrant us in disputing the fact that they were brothers. Quoting now from the Clay Manuscript of Mrs. Mary Clay of Americus, "The Clay name is an exceedingly old one in England, and many centuries ago the Clay families won the right to use Coat armour. The name appears in the Hundred Rolls of 1273 under some curious forms worth quoting, as Cley, Clai, Del Clay, de la Cley and le Clay. A still more singular form of it appears

on a record of 1327 as att Cleygh—but by the time Yorkshire Poll Tax of 1397 was recorded, Clay or del Clay had become the established form. The name dates from the Saxon times, the Saxon equivalent being Claeg. As a family name it was said to have first been founded in the country of Nottingham, and was derived from the fact that the owner of it lived on Clay land, or at the Clay. The Clays were especially numerous in the Eastern part of England."

I have secured descriptions of three coats of arms of the Clay family. The first two are taken from the Otken MSS and are as follows: "One of them is blazoned: "Per pale vert and sable a lion rampant ermine between three escallops or "The crest is a lion's head per pale vert and sable, charged with an escallop argent. The other, which is blazoned: "Argent, three wolves sable, two in chief combatant, one in base passant." The third is taken from the "Clay Family" and is described as follows: "Arg, a chev, engrailed between three trefoils, slipt sable. Crest: Two wings expanded, Arg, semes of trefoils, slipped, sa." I have no means of determining the correct Arms and Crest for the Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays, but show the one as given in the "Clay Family."

II.

The Clays In Virginia.

As stated in Chapter 1, the "Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays" begins with the traditional Sir John Clay. The tradition assigning him the title of "Sir" is likely incorrect. He probably belonged to the lesser "Gentry" and was simply John Clay, Gent. This would entitle him to Coat Armour and is likely the grounds upon which the tradition rests. The title acquired by Francis Clay, at least, was that of Gentleman, and I therefore content myself in saying that John Clay, Gent, of the Eastern part of "Georgia Branch of the Virginia England was the ancestor of the Clays." Children were:

Richard Clay, with no record of his ever coming to America, but children Francis and Edward settled in Northumberland County, Va. John Clay, who settled in Charles River County, Va., and who is the ancestor of the Georgia Branch

of the Virginia Clays.

William Clays settled in Charles River County, Virginia, and probably died without issue.

John Clay

John Claye above and wife Annie Clay, resided in Charles River County, Virginia. He is referred to as Captain John Clay, but by what authority, I fail to find. Children assigned to him and his wife were:

Francis Clay (Probably of Westmoreland County)

William Clay

Thomas Clay

Charles Clay

(Clay Family.)

Charles Clay

Our line begins with certainty with Charles Clay above, son of Cap. John Clay and wife Annie, of Charles River County, Virginia. He was born in 1638, married Hannah Wilson, daughter of John Wilson, senior, of Henrico County, Virginia. He fought under Bacon in Bacon's Rebellion in Virginia about 1673, when about thirty-five years of age, where he no doubt rendered faithful service. Ridpath says of Nathaniel Bacon as follows:

"His motives were as exalted as his life was pure, and his virtues as noted as his abilities were great. His ambition was for the public welfare, and his passions were only excited against the enemies of his country."

From the descendants of this couple came a line of descendants destined to wield a mighty influence in the great new nation which was shortly to arise from the next "Rebellion" and in which their descendants were so well represented. Before proceeding to our line proper, it is fitting to consider some of the related branches of the family here.

Charles Clay died in 1686, when only forty eight years old, without having made a will. His wife Hannah was appointed administrator of his estate and it is from the inventory and the will of Hannah made later, that we are able to determine the names of their children. One item in the will of Hannah Clay is illustrative of the period in which she lived. She willed to sons, "John, Thomas and Henry, each of them, one well-fixed gun." The question arises here, was

it from her that the Clays inherited their courage, and tendency for pioneering? Children of Charles Clay and wife, Hannah (Wilson) Clay:

- 1st. Mary Clay *
- 2nd. Elizabeth Clay *
- 3rd. John Clay, lived in Amelia County *
- 4th. Thomas Clay
- 5th. Henry Clay
- 6th. Charles Clay
- 7th. Judith Clay*

Thomas Clay, Fourth Line.

Thomas Clay, son of Charles Clay and Hannah (Wilson) Clay.

Information of Thomas Clay is incomplete. He lived in Prince George, now Amelia County, where his will bearing date of June 6, 1726, was probated in the following November. Name of his wife is not given. Children were:

1. Charles Clay, wife named Mary, lived in Amelia County Virginia. Children were, Peter Clay, Daniel Clay, Jesse Clay, Charles Clay, Eliza Clay Worsham, Hannah Clay Avery, Pattie Clay Snead and Anne Clay who married a Clay. There is mentioned a William Clay with wife named Anne in Clay Family and this may be the Anne Clay here.
2. James Clay
3. John Clay
4. Dorothy Clay *
5. Phoebe Clay *
6. Hannah Clay *

John Clay (3 Above)

John Clay married Sarah Chappell, daughter of James Chappell, leaving her in his will 250 acres of land on Deep Creek. Children were:

- A. John Clay
- B. Amey Clay Clement
- C. Sarah Clay
- D. Martha Clay
- E. Dorothy Clay
- F. Phoebe Clay

Henry Clay, Fifth Line.

Henry Clay, son of Charles Clay and Hannah Wilson Clay.

Henry Clay was the first of this name (Henry) we find in America. He was born about 1672, married about 1708, Mary Mitchell, daughter of William and Elizabeth Mitchell. Mary Mitchell was born January 1693, and died 1777. We know very little about this Henry Clay or his wife, as to what their religious beliefs were or

of their activities in life or other facts of a personal nature. Yet, when we learn of the wonderful records made by so many of their descendants thru the next few generations we must conclude that they were Godly and that their home and its examples exerted a great influence for good on their posterity. We now will give the Will in substance of Henry Clay which was probated at the September Term, 1760, Chesterfield Court.

"I, Henry Clay, of Henrico County, being of perfect health, mind, and memory, thanks be to God therefor, and calling to mind my mortality, and knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say, princely and first of all I give my soul into the hands of God that gave it, and as for my body I commend it to the earth, to be buried in a Christian-like and decent form at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by mighty power of God; and as to touching my worldly goods wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life. I give, devise, and dispose of the same in manner and form following:

Primis. I give and bequeath unto my son, William Clay, the land and plantation whereon he now lives, and my land and plantation on Deep Creek, in Henrico County, whereon Richard Belcher now lives, to him, his heirs, and assigns forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my son, Henry Clay, the land and plantation he now lives on, and two hundred acres of land at Letalone, in Goochland County, it being the Lower Survey belonging to me at the said Letalone, to him, his heirs and assigns forever.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my son, Charles Clay, the plantation whereon he now lives and all of the land on the north side of Swift Creek and the lower side of Nuttree Run to me belonging, and also four hundred acres at Letalone, it being my Upper Survey at Letalone, to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my son, John Clay, the plantation whereon he now lives and all of my land on the north side of Swift Creek and



upper side of Nuttree Run, to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I likewise give and bequeath my Grist Mill on Nuttree Run to be equally divided between my son Charles and my son John Clay, to be held in joint tenancy, to them and their heirs forever.

Item. I give to my daughter, Amey Williamson, five pounds, current money.

Item. I give to my daughter, Mary Watkins, five pounds, current money.

Item. I give to my grandson, Henry Clay (Dr. Henry Clay, of Ky.), 240 acres adjoining the land of James Hill, etc.

Item. I give and bequeath to my granddaughter, Mary Clay, daughter of Charles Clay (afterwards Mrs. Stephen Lockett), one negro girl, named Phoebe.

Item. I give unto Mary, my well-beloved wife, the plantation whereon I now live, during her natural life, and my negroes, Lewis, Jo, Sue, Nann, Jenny and Sarah, during her natural life, and what stock and household goods she pleases to have or make use of, of mine.

Item. I devise that the rest of my slaves not heretofore given, and my stock and household goods, be given and equally divided among my four sons aforementioned, at their discretion, and also the negroes above written, and gave my wife, may be equally divided after my wife's decease.

Item. I give to my four sons, above written, and to my wife, to be equally divided, all the ready money and money out at use, that I shall be possessed with at my death.

Item. After my wife's decease I give my plantation, whereon I now live, to my son John Clay and his heirs forever, together with the adjacent lands thereunto belonging, and I do hereby make, constitute and ordain my four sons, above written, to be my only and sole executors of this, my last Will and Testament."

Special attention is called to the bequest to William Clay, in that it mentions plantation whereon "Richard Belcher now lives," and also to bequest to wife in which is mentioned "Lewis," a negro. Both of these names are significant.

So far we have followed the "Clay Family" in our genealogy from Cap-

tain John Clay of Charles River County. Here we must supplement this by "Johnston." The "Clay Family" gives William Mitchell Clay as the first of the children of Henry Clay and Mary Mitchell. His name is given simply "William" in the will, and so I give it here. The children of Henry Clay and Mary Mitchell are given as in the "Clay Family," as follows:

1. William Clay
2. Henry Clay
3. Charles Clay
4. John Clay
5. Amey Clay *
6. Mary Clay *

1. William was probably the eldest son of the children. Beheathland Clay Rigsby stated in notes left that Pearce Clay, of Washington County, Georgia, was a son of a brother of her grandfather, which appears to have been an error. She probably meant that he was a son of a brother of her great-grandfather. If so, then Pearce Clay was a son of William Clay. Mitchell Clay is identified by statements made by "Johnston" as a son of this William, and Johnston further gives an account (Page 48) of the death of a Mr. Clay in Western Virginia, 1774, which everything indicates was William Clay.

"While Field's company was encamped on the banks of the Little Meadow River, a branch of the Gauley, two of his men, Clay and Coward, (other authorities spell Cowherd) were sent to hunt deer for the company and were attacked by the Indians. Clay was killed, but Coward made his way back to camp, having first killed one of the Indians." This was just before the battle of Point Pleasant, and I believe explains the lack of further information concerning William Clay. I give the name of Mitchell and Pearce Clay only, leaving blank space for other names and believing that William Clay of Franklin County, Virginia, and Obed Clay, of Virginia, were sons also, but not so listing for want of proof.

- A. Mitchell Clay
- B. Pearce Clay

.....
Mitchell Clay (A. above)

(Johnston our authority here) was probably born about 1735. Johnston says "One brother, the father (should



be grandfather) of Henry Clay, of Kentucky, a Baptist minister settled in the Slashes of Hanover; one, the ancestor of General Green Clay, settled in Powhatan, and was the ancestor of General Oden G. Clay of Campbell County, Virginia. The one who settled in Franklin county was the ancestor of the elder Mitchell Clay, who came from Franklin County to the Clover Bottom on the Bluestone, in 1775."

This statement by a process of elimination enables us to state definitely that Mitchell Clay was a son of William Clay. The genealogies are given later and substantiates this statement. Mitchell drew the land in then, Fincastle County, Virginia, for services rendered as a soldier in the French and Indian war, which began in 1754. Summers' History of Southwest Virginia (1746-1786) page 146 states that on April 25, 1774, Mitchell Clay had 1000 acres, both sides Bluestone Creek, Clover Bottom, according to a survey by John Floyd and others in 1774-1775, lying mostly in Kentucky. This land was acquired under the King's proclamation of 1763 for service in French and Indian war 1754-1763. The grant was made by Dunmore, Governor of the Colony and embraced 1000 acres. It is probable that both Mitchell and his father were in this war. Johnston says that Mitchell Clay married Phoebe Belcher in Franklin County, Virginia, in 1760. He is evidently in error, as Franklin County was not then created. Johnston obtained his information from a manuscript record made by two of the grandsons of Mitchell, and these are usually more or less elastic as to dates and places, though on the whole, fairly accurate. Mitchell Clay had been living on the Clover Bottoms only about one year when the war of the Revolution broke out. He was on the extreme frontier of civilization, and situated directly in the path of the red man. He appears to have rendered valuable service to his country by informing, aiding and guiding the body of scouts who were maintained in the section to guard against Indian attacks.

William Hutchinson in making affidavit (See Virginia Militia in the Revolutionary War, by J. T. McAllister, Section 44, page 75) said in sub-

stance that he, Hutchinson entered service in May, marched across New River, through the present county of Giles, then thinly peopled, and served as ranger, being on constant duty. He says that he enlisted under Archibald Wood to serve as long as the Indians might be troublesome, and in the fall his company marched up the Blue Stone to the settlement near its head to protect the people gathering fodder. There were some places traversed by him never before seen by white man. The country was wild and mountainous, frequently he could hear far off, the whistle, yell or tread of the savage, often sleeping at night with no covering but his blanket and no shelter but the forest, having for company only the scream of the panther or the yell of the Indian. He says that on one occasion after marching twenty miles, all of the company refused to go further, and that David Clay showed him the way. They were pursued by ten or twelve Indians, but hurrying along, sometimes in mud to their knees or water to their necks, hastened on the journey by the yells of the Indians, finally reached their destination, having travelled 40 miles that day.

Thus, is introduced the first of the Virginia Clays (David Clay) save one known to have come to Georgia. His surroundings in Virginia are vividly pictured in the foregoing affidavit and his life will be treated more fully in Chapter IV. Now we will continue the family of Mitchell Clay by giving the circumstances of what is commonly known as "The Clay Tragedy."

The Indians appear to have become angered at Clay and his family by reason of the aid given by them to the scouts and militia during the Revolution.

In August, 1783, after Clay had harvested his crops, and while he was absent from home on a hunting expedition to secure game for the family larder, a party of Indians crept in and attacked the family. At the time Bartley and Ezkiel were building a fence around some stacks of grain. The older sons had not returned from the Revolution. Tabitha and some of the girls were at the river washing, while Mrs. Clay and the smaller children seem to have been in the house.

The first they knew of the Indians

was when one of them shot Bartley from ambush. This frightened the girls, but Tabitha, seeing an Indian about to scalp her brother, rushed to his assistance and engaged the Indian in a hand to hand conflict, she being without any weapon. It seemed for a while that she might be victorious, but the Indian resorted to his hunting knife and literally cut her to pieces.

Mrs. Clay undertook to secure the aid of one Blankinship at this time, but he being a coward, ran off and left the family to its fate. After killing Tabitha and Bartley, the Indians captured Ezekiel Clay, and for some cause left the premises with him, perhaps in search of the elder Mitchell Clay.

Mrs. Clay with her small children, secured the bodies of Bartley and Tabitha and placed them on the bed, when she and her small children left home, going to the New River Settlements.

Mitchell Clay wounded a deer, which he followed for sometime and was late in returning home, when he found the bodies of his two children on the bed and his wife and small children gone. Imagine his horror and grief, not only for the dead children, but for those members of his family whose fate was as yet unknown to him. There being nothing he could do at home, he made his way to the New River Settlements, pursued by the Indians into the Settlements. Here the settlers appearing too strong, the Indians stole some horses and made their way back towards the Ohio River.

A party was soon made up to follow them, consisting of Charles Clay, Mitchell Clay, Jr., James Bailey, William Wiley, Edward Hale, Isaac Hare, John French and Captain James Moore. They first went to the cabin and buried the Clay children. The Indians had divided, which fact was not discovered by the pursuers until after they had come up with the party that had the horses. In the ensuing battle between the whites and the Indians, several Indians were killed. Charles Clay, only a mere boy, killing one of the Indians himself in the encounter.

Mitchell Clay, Jr., was at the time too small to handle a gun well, but

shot at one of the Indians, but missed him, the Indian being killed by another member of the party.

The party of Indians carrying Ezekiel Clay were not overtaken. They took him down the West fork of the River, to their town, Chillicothe, where he was burned at the stake. The whites were so incensed at this conduct of the Indians that Edward Hale and William Wiley stripped the skin from the backs of two of the Indians and took the hide home and made razor straps from it, which were kept in the family for many years as a souvenir of the battle.

Children of Mitchell Clay and Phoebe Belcher Clay were:

a David Clay, moved to Georgia. See Chapter IV.

b William Clay, Juror Giles County, Virginia, 1806.

c Henry Clay, Constable Giles County, Virginia, 1806.

d Charles Clay, Juror Giles County, Virginia, 1806.

e Bartley Clay, killed by Indians on Bluestone, 1783.

f Ezekiel Clay, captured by Indians and burned at stake at Chillicothe, 1783.

g Mitchell Clay, probably Mitchell, Jr., and John who left MSS of above tragedy were sons.

h Tabitha, killed by Indians on Bluestone, 1783.

i Rebecca, married Col. George Pearis.

j Patience, married George Chapman.

k Sallie, married Captain John Peters.

l Obedience, married John French.

m Nannie, married Joseph Hare.

n Mary, married William Stewart.

Considerable genealogies are given of the descendants of these girls, by Johnston, but to repeat would be too tedious, in a sketch of the "Georgian Branch of the Virginia Clays."

Henry Clay (2 above)

Henry Clay, son of Henry Clay and Mary Mitchell, resided in South Parish, Cumberland County. His wife was Lucy Green, sister of Marth Green, who married Charles Clay and who was the mother of General Green Clay. His will was probated October 1764, and from it we get the names of his children, but before giving the



names I will briefly treat of the Green family. This Green family appears to have originated in one Thomas Green known as the Sea Gull, born on the Atlantic of an immigrant on her way to America. He was of Dutch ancestry, his father being Thomas Green, who settled near Petersburg, Virginia, and who married Martha Filmer, daughter of Major Henry filmer, who was a member of the House of Burgesses. Children of Henry Clay and wife Lucy (Green) Clay:

- A Henry Clay, born 1736
- B Charles Clay, moved to Kentucky, murdered on trip back to Virginia and record incomplete.*
- C Samuel Clay, moved to North Carolina, where he was a member of the Legislature. *
- D Thomas Clay, who remained in Cumberland County, Va. *
- E Abia Clay, moved to Georgia. See Chapter VI.
- F Marston Clay*
- G Rebecca Clay*
- H John Clay. See Chapter VI for probable descendants.
- I Elijah Clay*
- J Lucy Clay*

Henry Clay (A Above)

Henry Clay, son of Henry Clay and Lucy Green Clay, born in Cumberland County, Virginia, 1736, married Rachel Povall, 1754, moved to Kentucky, 1787, where he died, 1820. He was a physician and the records of his family are preserved in the public records and monuments of Bourbon County, Kentucky. The descendants of David Clay, of Georgia, bear a strong resemblance to the photographs of this branch of the family. Their children were:

- a Elizabeth Clay, m John Bruce.*
- b John Clay, m Patsy Ingram.*
- c Rebekah Clay, m William Finch.*
- d Samuel Clay, m Nancy Winn.
- e Rachel Clay, m Barkley Martin, no issue.*
- f Sally Clay, m Matthew Martin.*
- g Tabitha Clay, m Benjamine Bedford.*
- h Mary Ann Clay, m Thomas Dawson.*
- i Henrietta Clay, m George M. Bedinger.*
- j Mattie Clay, m Littleberry Bedford*

k Henry Clay, m Peggy Helm and became a man of much note in Kentucky (Not the celebrated Henry.)

l Letty Clay, m Archibald Bedford.*

Samuel Clay (Identified as d above.)

Samuel Clay, born May 10, 1761, served under General Green in the Carolinas during the Revolution, married Ann Winn, who was also known as Nancy. Will probated in Bourbon County, June 1810.

Children:

- 1' Henry C. Clay, m Mary Grimes.*
- 2' Letitia Clay*
- 3' Samuel Clay*
- 4' George Clay*
- 5' Littleberry Bedford Clay.
- 6' Richard P. Clay. (See Chapter I for probable source of name)*
- 7' John Clay. Said to have come to Georgia.
- 8' Thomas Clay. Said to have come to Georgia.
- 9' Rachel Clay*
- 10' William Green Clay*

Having extended this line sufficient for our purpose, that is to illustrate "The Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays" we will now return to Charles Clay, a brother of Henry No. 2, and a son of Henry Clay and Mary Mitchell Clay, who is No. 3 in our line. This is the Charles Clay so often mentioned as the ancestor of Cassius M. Clay.

Charles Clay (Identified by 3)

Charles Clay, son of Henry Clay and Mary Mitchell Clay, born Jan. 31, 1716, married Martha Green, Nov. 11, 1741 and died Feb. 25, 1789. She was a sister of Lucy Green who married Henry Clay No. 2. Children:

- A Mary Clay*
- B Eleazer Clay, was a Baptist Minister, thrice married, possessed considerable wealth and served in both the French and Indian War and the Revolutionary War.*
- C Charles Clay,
- D Henry Clay, died in service of his country during Revolution in Trenton, N. J.*
- E Thomas Clay, married Polly Callahan, was a soldier of the Revolution and a member of the first Constitution Convention of Kentucky. Appears to have many descendants in Texas.*



- F Betty Clay, married Alexander Murray.*
- G Lucy Clay, married William Thaxton.*
- H Matthew Clay. See Chapter III.
- I Green Clay.
- J Priscilla Clay*
- K Martha Clay, married Hopkins Lewis*

Charles Clay (Identified as C above)

Charles Clay, born Dec. 24, 1745, married Editha Davies, Jan. 15, 1767. He was an Episcopal minister, ordained by the Bishop of London in 1769, served as Rector of St. Ann Parish, Albemarle County. He was an earnest patriot and created much enthusiasm in behalf of American Independence. He moved from Albemarle County to Bedford County, where his Will is of record, in which he mentions his friend the Hon. Thomas Jefferson, late president of the United States. His children were:

- a Junius Axel Clay.*
- b Odin Green Clay, The Odin G. Clay mentioned by Johnston, of Campbell County, Virginia, who served in the Virginia House and who was first President of the old Virginia & Tennessee Railroad.*
- c Paul A. Clay, who was a minister of Manchester Parish, Manchester County. *
- d Cyrus B. Clay.*

Green Clay (Identified as I above)

General Green Clay, who was the first historian of the Clay family, was born Aug. 14, 1757, married Sally Lewis, March 14, 1795, and died Oct. 21, 1828. First Deputy Surveyor of Kentucky, delegate to convention that ratified Constitution, served in Kentucky Legislature twenty years, speaker of (Ky.) Senate, 1807, Revolutionary soldier and also war of 1812. Children were:

- a Elizabeth Lewis Clay*
- b Paulina Clay*
- c Sally Ann Clay*
- d Sidney Payne Clay*
- e Brutus Junius Clay*
- f Cassius Marcellus Clay
- g Sophia Clay*

Cassius Marcellus Clay (Identified as f above)

His life and career would fill a volume within itself. His life is certainly an epic of the slavery quarrel. He was appointed as minister to Rus-

sia by Abraham Lincoln. His "Memoirs" give his record and should be secured and read by those interested in his life.

We must here digress to take up another line, that is of the immortal Henry. His line begins with John Clay, son of Henry Clay and Mary Mitchell Clay, if we are to accept the verdict of genealogists. I am giving his line in agreement with the authorities, but, however, without adding the weight of my evidence to the mass.

John Clay (Identified as 4)

John Clay died about 1762 and his Will is recorded in Chesterfield County. His wife was Mrs. Mary Bass and they had children as follows:

A John Clay.

B Edward Clay, who went to North Carolina, served in North Carolina Legislature, where he was tried and expelled for crime. The evidence in this case has been reviewed by me and I believe that he was "framed" on the charge brought against him. He has been erroneously assigned to Alabama.

C Fanny Clay*

Rev. John Clay (Identified as A above) is the John Clay assigned as the father of Henry Clay. He married Elizabeth Hudson, whose mother was a Jennings as was the mother of William J. Bryan, both families of Virginia and it is entirely possible that the two great commoners were cousins, if the lineage of the Jennings were followed up. His Will is recorded in Hanover County, Virginia, and the "Clay Family" contains a copy of it. He was a Baptist minister and is referred to in old records in Hanover County as Sir John Clay. This for a long time gave me no end of worry, that is in trying to trace title from Sir John Clay of England to Sir John Clay of Hanover County, Virginia, until I established the fact to my satisfaction that the English title was only that of Gentleman, after which is occurred to me that according to the English custom, titles were frequently conferred by usage without legality upon professional men, much as J. P.'s receive the appellation of Judge, and attorneys of Colonel, in this day. This I have been informed, was frequently the case with ministers and others on whom



were bestowed titles for taking literary degrees. I leave this question now for future generations to puzzle over.

Children of John Clay and Mary Bass Clay were:

a John Clay, who moved to New Orleans.*

b Henry Clay, whose name is so familiar, and his life has received such copious treatment that I will pass his record without further comment. Numerous biographies contain histories of his life from various angles and the reader is referred to them. The three outstanding things in his life are the Missouri Compromise, the Omnibus Bill and his candidacy for President of the United States, when he used the statement familiar to every school boy, "I had rather be right than President."

c Porter Clay.

Porter Clay (Identified as c above) is not so well-known as his distinguished brother, but for our purpose it is necessary to make a more extended study of his life as subject to throw light on our investigation. He has been treated of very briefly in the "Clay Family," which simply states that he was born in 1779 and died in 1850, that he married first Sophie Groesch, and had one child, a Mrs. Taylor, but her name is not given; second, a Mrs. Hardin, who left no issue. That he was auditor of Kentucky in 1822, later becoming a Baptist minister. That he was buried at Camden, Arkansas. To this I have been able, through the kindness of Miss Otken to add the following, substance of which is gathered from the Centennial Edition of a newspaper published in Camden, Arkansas, Oct. 16, 1924.

"While thousands annually visit the tomb of Henry Clay at Lexington, Va., to pay tribute to his memory, the grave of Porter Clay, his brother, is unknown except to a very few. It is marked with a slab of stone, covered with moss and well nigh forgotten. It lies in an old and unfrequented cemetery at Camden, Arkansas.

"Porter Clay was many years younger than his illustrious brother,

Henry. Though not inferior to the great statesman in intellect. Porter was without the inordinate ambition that history lays at the door of his brother. Porter Clay gave the best of his life to the service of religion. He died in poverty. Both boys were reared by a pious Baptist mother, but Henry was captivated by the glare of politics, while Porter followed the desire of his mother's heart and became a Baptist minister and revivalist.

"At the age of 21, in 1815, Porter Clay was admitted to the bar in Kentucky. He was appointed auditor of state accounts by Governor W. G. Slaughter.

Even at this time, he felt the call to the ministry and he hesitated long before he accepted the more lucrative position. Friends persuaded him to accept, however, insisting that he had a brilliant future before him. By this time Henry Clay had served two short terms in the United States Senate and had been the Speaker of the House of Representatives for four years. It was freely predicted that young Porter Clay would follow in the footsteps of his brilliant brother.

"Porter served the state as auditor for several years. During this time his wife died and he re-married to the widow of Senator M. D. Hardin, who before her marriage was a Logan. Mrs. Hardin was a woman of great wealth and burning ambition. She desired her husband to take his place with the great men of the nation.

"Mrs. Hardin was the mother of two sons at the time of her marriage. As these boys grew up they developed wild and unruly traits of character. They manifested an open contempt for their step-father, who entered the ministry shortly after his second marriage, and for his simple life, and one of them became notorious for his waywardness and profligacy. It was this stepson who distinguished himself later in life, during the war with Mexico, and who challenged Jefferson Davis to a duel for some fancied slight. The duel was never fought for President Zachary Taylor interfered and prevented it.

"About 1840 Mrs. Clay persuaded Porter Clay to move to Jacksonville, Ill., and reside with herself and the two step-sons in the house that had



been the property of Senator Hardin. The mother and sons gradually came to treat Porter Clay as an outcast. So incessant was their abuse of him that he was eventually forced to leave their roof.

"He then became an evangelist, and travelled widely in this work. It was in this capacity that he came to Camden in the late 40s.

"After holding a revival at Camden he founded a church and became its first minister. He expected to spend the remainder of his life in ministering to the people of the little city on the banks of the Ouachita. He felt that he had reached the goal of his mission. But in 1850, two years before the death of his famous brother, Henry Clay, Porter Clay was stricken with fever and died after a short illness.

"His grave was unmarked for a number of years, but a small board was placed upon it finally by the members of the Baptist church. Several years ago the New Century Club of Camden, erected a slab of stone over the grave."

The author of this sketch is descended from a common ancestry with both Porter Clay and the first husband of his second wife. Mrs. Clay's

first husband, had a son, Martin D. Hardin, who was much interested in his lineage and prepared a circular and sent out to Hardins trying to secure information relating to his family. His sister, Mrs. Elen (Hardin) Walworth, was one of the founders of the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and I imagine that it was through the urge of his second wife that he (Porter) became interested in his family history and that the tradition given by him was given with no thought of the importance which might later be attached to it. Before passing on, we here give the Porter Clay tradition as contained in the "Clay Family."

"In the reign of Queen Elizabeth, Sir Walter Raleigh brought over to the Virginia plantations, among others, three brothers, sons of Sir John Clay, of Wales, England. He gave them ten thousand pounds sterling each. They were named Charles, Thomas and Henry. They settled on James River, near Jamestown. Charles and Thomas had large families. Henry had none, but the name has been handed down with great tenacity in both families ever since. Cassius M. Clay is a descendant of Charles Clay; Henry and myself from Thomas Clay."



Charles Clay and His Descendants

Who Settled In Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana
and Missouri.

By Frances Powell Otken

Maconb, Mississippi

Sixth Line

CHAPTER III

Charles Clay, son of Charles Clay and Hannah Wilson Clay, resident of Dale Parish, Chesterfield, Va., signed his will January 28, 1754, which was recorded Aug. 1765. He gives his homestead to his beloved wife, Sarah, Mary, daughter of his son, Henry Clay, deceased, is to receive her father's part.

Issue of Charles and Sarah Clay:

- 1 Thomas Clay to whom father deeded, May 5, 1752, 250 acres of land in Amelia county.
- 2 Charles Clay to whom his father deeded May 5, 1752, 250 acres of land in Amelia county.
- 3 William Clay to whom his father deeded May 5, 1752, 250 acres of land in Amelia county.
- 4 James Clay.
- 5 Judith Clay received 50 acres of land adjoining her brother, Thomas Clay.
- 6 Henry Clay, vestryman of Dale Parish, Chesterfield county Va., 1751.

James Clay (4).

James Clay, born Hanover County, Va., died 1790 in Chesterfield Co., Va. He married Margaret (Peggy) Muse, b April 2, 1737, d Feb. 13, 1832 in Amite county, Miss. James Clay inherited the Homestead at his mother's death. A choice tribute has been paid to the memory of this sainted woman which is given in full in biography of Wilford Zachariah Lea later in this chapter. Children:

A William Clay.

B James Clay. Land records show that James Clay in 1795 became a stockholder in the Mississippi Land Company, the old Georgia Company, and took 28,000 acres

of land on the Mississippi River. On January 13, 1808, a patent was issued to James Clay for 350 Arpents on the Waters of the Mississippi in the St. Charles District. No further information. (Query—Was this the James Clay who performed the marriage ceremony for Lewis Clay and Judith Jones?)

C Martha Clay, married Mr. Johnson and settled in North Carolina. No record.

D Elizabeth Clay. No record.

E Lydia Clay. No record.

F Mary Clay. No record.

G. Jeremiah Walker Clay. Juror in Grainger county, Tenn., 1802. Took 450 Arpents in St. Charles District. (La.).

H Eleazer Clay.

I Nancy Clay.

J Sabrina Clay.

William Clay (A).

William Clay, son of James Clay and Margaret Muse Clay, b Aug. 11, 1760, Chesterfield Co., Va., d Aug. 4, 1841 in Grainger county, Tenn. Dec. 30, 1788, he was married to Rebecca Comer in Halifax Co., Va. Rebecca Comer was a daughter of Samuel Comer, b 1766. William Clay enlisted in the Revolutionary War at the age of sixteen, applied for pension October 10, 1832, at which time he was residing in Grainger Co., Tenn. Pension granted for seven months service as private under Capt. Henry Cheatham, Col. Robt. Goode and Capt. Ed. Mosely and for one months service as s'gt. in Virginia troops. His wife, Rebecca Comer Clay was allowed a pension on application executed May 3, 1843, while a resident of



Grainger county, Tenn., age 77 years.
Issue:

- a Clement Comer Clay.
- b Margaret Muse Clay, b February 14, 1792, married John Bunch.
- c Nancy Clay, b Sept. 18, 1794, m Mr. Hightower.
- d William Clay, b July 18, 1797, d before 1830. No issue.
- e Cynthia Clay.
- f Micajah Clay, b June 18, 1802, m Kendricks.
- g Samuel Anderson Clay, b March 29, 1805.

Clement Comer Clay (a).

Clement Comer Clay, son of William and Rebecca Comer Clay, married Susannah Claiborne Withers in 1815. He was born Dec. 17, 1789 in Halifax Co., Va., died September 7, 1866, in Alabama. Mr. Clay attended college at Knoxville, Tenn., and read law under Hon. Hugh Lawson White receiving his license to practice his chosen profession 1809. Soon after being admitted to the bar he moved to Huntsville, Ala., where he resided till his death. He served in the war of 1812, represented his county in the territorial legislature in 1817, serving the only two sessions of that body. He also served his state as Supreme Court Judge, Congressman, United States Senator and Governor of the state. He "was of medium size, but erect and with dark and restless eyes. His bearing was naturally austere and although sociable with a few, he was intimate with none. He was honorable in all the relations of life and sensitive of the slightest imputation derogatory thereto." Issue:

- 1' Clement Claiborne Clay, b Dec. 1817, d Jan. 4, 1882, Madison county, Ala., m Virginia Caroline Tunstall, Feb. 1, 1843. No issue. After the death of Mr. Clay his wife married Gov. Clopton of Ala. Mr. Clay graduated at the State (Ala) University in 1840. He studied law at the University of Virginia and was licensed to practice, beginning the practice of his chosen profession at Huntsville, Ala. Public questions soon engrossed his attention. He was a member of the General Assembly of Ala., Judge of the County Court of Madison county, elected to the U. S. Senate when

only 35, re-elected without opposition. Resigned in 1861, elected Senator to first Confederate Congress, offered office of Judge Advocate General for Alabama by Jefferson Davis, but declined. Commissioner with Hon. Jacob Thompson to Canada on secret mission in behalf of Southern Confederacy. Surrender at close of war to General Wilson at Macon, Ga. He was charged with complicity in the assassination of Abraham Lincoln and imprisoned with Jefferson Davis in fortress Monroe until 1866, when he was released through the efforts of General U. S. Grant and other prominent officials. His wife was constant in her efforts to secure his release and the ease against him never came to trial.

(This is one illustration of the danger of rabid public sentiment. One of the family mobbed in Kentucky for his abolition sentiments, and later appointed as Minister to Russia by Abraham Lincoln and another member of the family charged with the assassination of Lincoln.)

- 2' John Withers Clay, b Jan. 11, 1820, m Mary Fenwick Lewis Nov. 11, 1847, issue: Caraliza Clay, John Withers Clay married Mary Saunders, Clement C. Clay, Clarence H. Clay, Ellen L. Clay, William Lewis Clay, Attorney, Huntsville, Ala., 1875, married Louisa Johnson 1878, Mary Lewis Clay, Susannah W. Clay, Elodia Clay, Virginia Clementine Clay b Feb. 17, 1862, d March 12, 1911, unmarried.
- 3' Hugh Lawson White Clay married Celeste Comer.

Cynthia Clay (e) Greene.

Cynthia Clay, daughter of William Clay and Rebecca Comer Clay, married Alston Hunter Greene, and had issue:

- 1' Mary Sledge Greene.
 - 2' Clement Comer Clay Greene.
 - 3' Elvira Cynthia Greene, b Sept. 17, 1832, d Feb. 9th, 1837.
 - 4' William Augustine Greene.
 - 5' Cordelia Elizabeth Greene.
- Mary Sledge Greene (1'). Nelson. Mary Sledge Green, b Aug. 17, 1827, d July 13, 1881. Dec. 1, 1840, she was married to Allison Nelson, who was born March 17, 1823. and



died October 7, 1862. Issue:

A' Emma Cynthia Nelson.

B' Alice Sophia Nelson.

C' John Alston Nelson.

Emma Cynthia Nelson (A'), b Nov. 21, 1842, d Jan. 30, 1869, married John Bayless Earle, Dec. 15, 1857. Mr. Earle was born Sept. 17, 1833.

a' Allison Nelson Earle, b March 14, 1860, married Annie Babcock Hix, April 27, 1892. She was born Feb. 19, 1869. Issue: William Hix Earle, Allison Nelson Earle, Emma Cynthia Earle and Frances Elizabeth Earle.

b' Annie Elizabeth Earle, born April 5, 1863, married April 23, 1890, Paterick M. Farrell, born Feb. 17, 1855. Issue: Emma Nelson Farrell, Mary Farrell, Baylis Earle Farrell.

c' John Baylis Earle, b June 20, 1866.

d' Henry Sears Earle, b Feb. 22, 1869, m Mattie Rogers, b Aug. 6, 1872, d April 7, 1892. Issue: Charles Rogers Sears Earle, died in infancy.

Alice Sophia Nelson, (B'), born April 26, 1845, married June 8, 1865, John H. Harrison and had issue:

a' Mary Evans Harrison, b July 9, 1866, m Nov. 26, 1885, Daniel Stonewall Eddins and had issue: Daniel S. Eddins, Alice Eddins, and George Morse Eddins.

b' Allison Nelson Harrison, b Sept. 19, 1869, m Irene Dunklin.

c' John H. Harrison, b April 1, 1872, m April 21, 1898, Addie Earle.

d' James H. Harrison, b Oct. 6, 1874, d Jan. 3, 1877.

e' Guy Brown Harrison, b Nov. 1, 1876, m Feb. 12, 1898, Nora Wimple.

John Alston Nelson (C'), born July 22, 1848, died June 21, 1891, married Jan. 1, 1871, Georgia Alice Little, and had issue:

a' Mary Sledge Nelson, b Jan. 10, 1872.

b' Hiram Lucious Nelson, b Nov. 12, 1874, m Sept. 18, 1895, Hattie Hines and had issue: Henry Nelson.

c' Allison Nelson, b June 26, 1876.

d' Baylis E. Nelson, b March 19, 1878, d Nov. 19, 1898.

e' John Alston Nelson, b March 9, 1881.

f' Kate Nelson, b Jan. 1883.

g' Harvey Nelson, b March 1888.

h' Levie Nelson, b Oct. 1, 1891.

Clement Comer Clay Greene (2').

Clement Comer Clay Greene, son of Cynthia Clay and Alston Hunter Greene, was born June 13, 1829, died Oct. 26, 1889, married April 25, 1850, Mary Frances Godwin, born Oct. 17, 1833, died April 17, 1871. First Lieutenant Cobb's Cavalry Civil War 1861-65. Issue:

A' Alston Hunter Greene, b Feb. 9, 1851, m Oct. 17, 1883, Mary Lou Hunnicutt, b May 8, 1860. Issue: Edgar Laurence Greene, Fannie Letitia Greene, Calvin Clay Greene.

B' William Daniel Greene, b Oct. 8, 1852, m Aug. 30, 1892, Mrs. Edmonia Long Harney, b May 2, 1868. Issue: Evelyn Goodwin Greene, Carl Elkin Greene.

C' Julia Elizabeth Greene, b March 1, 1855.

D' Clement Clay Greene, b Oct. 7, 1857, m Nov. 18, 1891, Mae Rhodes, b March 2, 1870, d June 20, 1895.

E' Allison Nelson Greene, b April 9, 1860.

F' Anna Blanche Greene, b June 18, 1863, m Oct. 17, 1883, Forrest Adair, of Atlanta, Ga., b March 24, 1864. Mr. Adair has been prominently connected in the real estate business in Atlanta, where he has achieved a reputation which covers America. Issue: Elizabeth Adair, b Jan. 30, 1885; Frank Adair, b July 31, 1886; Forrest Adair, b July 6, 1888; Robin Adair, b Aug. 14, 1893.

G' Mary Frances Greene, b Jan. 9, 1867, m Feb. 28, 1889, George Townes Rowland, b Oct. 7, 1858. Issue: Hugh Rowland, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., and Mary Frances Rowland.

H' Robert Lee Greene, b March 21, 1870, d April 28, 1872.

Clement Comer Clay Greene, married second Louise Wilson, b Feb. 26, 1850. By this marriage, children:

I' Edna Earle Greene, b July 18, 1873, m Aug. 16, 1892, William Douglas Brannan, b July 22, 1870. Issue: Nell Brannan and Mary Greene Brannan.

J' Forrest Greene, b May 27, 1877.

K' Hubert Greene, b Aug. 7, 1880. William Augustine Greene (4').

William Augustine Greene, born



March 1, 1835, died Sept. 27, 1856, married 1853, Louisa Susan Pitman, and had issue:

A' Mary Emma Greene, born November 9, 1854, died Nov. 14, 1892, married Oct. 7, 1873, McKinzie Obediah Thompson, b Feb. 1, 1850. Issue: Robert Lyle Thompson, b Nov. 3, 1874, married June 18, 1893, Eva Eugenia Hilburn, had issue, Lyle A. Thompson, Jennie E. Thompson; Allison McKinzie Thompson, b May 7, 1876; Leonard Olin Thompson, b June 12, 1878; Helen Louise Thompson, b Oct. 1879; William Hugh Thompson, b March 30, 1882, d Jan. 11, 1883.

B' Allison Lawson Greene, born Nov. 27, 1855, d June 3, 1893, married April 19, 1882, Susan Caryl Rosenbury, and had issue: Charles Allison Greene, Charlotte Louise Greene, Earle Rosenbury Greene, Caryl Greene, and Ward Storrs Greene.

C' William Augustine Greene, b Aug. 26, 1858, married Nov. 11, 1879, Margaret W. Thompson. Issue: William E. Greene, Lamar Greene, and Marion E. Greene.

D' Annie Laurie Greene, b May 3, 1857, died Aug. 3, 1886, married Nov. 22, 1877, Thomas Henry Jeffries, b April 16, 1854. Issue: Maybelle M. Jeffries, Warner Moore Jeffries, Clymer DeF. Jeffries, and Susan A. Jeffries.

Cordelia Elizabeth Greene (5').

Cordelia Elizabeth Greene, daughter of Cynthia Clay and Alston Hunter Greene, was born Nov. 10, 1840, married Aug. 16, 1857, Henry Holcomb Glenn, born Jan. 9, 1829, died Nov. 10, 1883. Issue:

A' Thomas Cobb Glenn.

B' Henry H. Glenn.

C' Henry Luther Glenn.

D' Mary Kate Glenn.

E' Robert M. Glenn.

ELEAZER CLAY (H)

Eleazer Clay (H), son of James Clay and Margaret Muse Clay, was born Oct. 14, 1778, died Feb. 18, 1863, Farmington, Missouri, married Marv Dunville, Jan. 19, 1802 (date of license issued and on file at Rutledge, Tenn.), born Dec. 26, 1784, died April 16, 1852. Issue:

a Mary Ann Clay.

b Ailcey Clay.

c Margaret Muse Clay.

d James Clay, twin to William, married twice. Issue by first marriage: Frank E. Clay, Robert Clay, William Clay, Caroline Clay, Bettie Clay, Katherine Clay, Nancy Clay. Issue by second marriage: Clara Clay, Luella Clay.

e William Clay.

f Nancy Clay.

g Eleanor Clay.

h Eleazer Greene Clay.

i Robert D. Clay, m Miss Hunt and had issue: Henry Clay, Robert Clay, Judge; William Clay; Edward Clay, Kansas City, Mo.; Romeo Clay; Phillip Clay; Thomas Clay; Waide Clay.

j Morgan S. Clay.

k Mahala M. Clay.

l Angeline Clay, m Rev. Rucker and had issue: One son, who became a Methodist minister, Farmington, Mo.

m Wade Hampton Clay.

Eleazer Greene Clay (h) married and had issue:

1' Clement C. Clay.

Clement C. Clay, (1'), married and had issue:

A' Mary Clay.

Mary Clay (A'), who married Mr. Lewis, had issue:

a' Kate Lewis.

Kate Lewis (a'), who married Hon. W. H. Arnold, of Texarkana, Ark., had issue: Richard Lewis Arnold, b 1905.

Wade Hampton Clay (m), pioneer settler of St. Francis Co., Missouri, near Doerun, Mo., married first, Miss Music, and had issue:

1' Henry M. Clay.

2' Volney C. Clay.

3' Orlena Clay.

4' Cordelia Clay.

Wade Hampton Clay (m)

Wade Hampton Clay married second, Mary E. Sutherland, and had issue:

5' Anna M. Clay.

6' Julia Clay.

7' Eva Clay, died 1919.

8' Benjamin M. Clay.

9' Wade Hampton Clay, lawyer, San Francisco, Calif.

10' John Suhterland Clay, Probate Judge 12 years, State Senator from Missouri four years, Farmington, Mo., married and had issue: Homer Tullock Clay, M. D.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Alva Marie Clay, m Charles R. Wilson, Kansas City.

Nancy Clay (1) Lea.

Nancy Clay, (1), daughter of James Clay and Margaret Muse Clay, married David Lea, and had issue:

- a Margaret Muse Lea.
- b Wesley Wilson Lea, b Nov. 17, 1804, d June 24, 1861, unmarried.
- c William Dixon Lea.
- d Winchester Muse Lea, b Aug. 11, 1809, d Nov. 21, 1809.
- e Landon Ludwell Lea.
- f Melissa Lea.
- g James Monroe Lea, b May 16, 1815, d and is buried at Oakland College, Miss.
- h Robert Montgomery Lea.
- i Mary Reed Lea.
- j David Clay Lea.
- k Julia Clay Lea, b Oct. 16, 1823, d Dec. 5, 1840, unmarried.
- l Charles Clinton Lea, b Nov. 12, 1827, d and is buried at Oakland College, Miss.

Margaret Muse Lea, (a) above, was born Jan. 2, 1803, married Agrippa Gayden, born 1779. Issue:

- 1' George Gayden, died 1861.
- 2' Frank Gayden, settled in Bolivar Co., Miss. Was the first prisoner.. exchanged.. between.. the North and South in the War of 1861-65, captured in Missouri and exchanged the same day.
- 3' Minerva Gayden, died in girlhood.
- 4' Mary Gayden.
- 5' Elvira Gayden, died 1863, married A. C. Cage, sugar planter of Terre Bonne Parish, Louisiana.
- 6' Iverson Greene Gayden.

Mary Gayden (4') b March 17, 1830, d April 21, 1851. Married Dr. Joseph Redhead, March 25, 1847. (He was born Oct. 14, 1812, Northumberland County, England, died Oct. 7, 1881, Wilkinson county, Miss.) Issue:

- A' Mary H. Redhead married first Dr. Hamilton, second, Mr. Merrill of Newburyport, Mass.
- B' John A. Redhead born Oct. 28, 1847, married Julia Norwood 1878, issue: Joseph Redhead, John Redhead and Ella Redhead.

Iverson Greene Gayden (6'), married Octavia Perkins and had issue:

- A' Julia Lea Gayden, m Col. E. L. Woodside, b Feb. 20, 1845, d Dec. 21, 1912, Baton Rouge, La. Issue: Robert I. Woodside, of

Greenville, S. C.

B' Agrippa Gayden, m Katie Perkins.

C' Octavia Gayden, m Robert Lee Tullis, Oct. 23, 1919, La. State University, Baton Rouge, La.

D' Margaret Gayden, m Donald Derickson, June 27, 1912, Prof. Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

E' Percy Gayden, Gurley, La.

F' Iverson Greene Gayden, m Mamie Hands, Aug. 18, 1917; m second Dec. 23, 1919, Georgia Shands.

William Dixon Lea, (c) above, was born Jan. 28, 1807, died May 4, 1849, married Virginia Caroline Kemp, May 14, 1833, born Nov. 17. 1817, died Jan. 19, 1894, at Clinton, La., buried in family burying ground, Nettles Place, on McAdams Bridge road four miles east of Clinton, La. Issue:

- 1' David Merritt Lea, b July 19, 1836, d Aug. 6, 1836.
- 2' Margaret Melissa Lea.
- 3' William Dixon Lea, b Feb. 5, 1841, d July 12, 1863. Killed in War of 1861-65, Jackson, Miss.
- 4' Mary Elvira Lea, b July 29, 1843, d Dec. 20, 1843.
- 5' Charles Monroe Lea, b Jan. 3, 1845, d Aug. 31, 1864. Killed in War of 1861-65.
- 6' Anna Maria Lea, b March 23, 1847, d Sept. 21, 1866.
- 7' Virginia Teresa Lea, b Nov. 5, 1849, d Dec. 20, 1913, Jacksonville, Fla., m Charles H. Smith, July, 28, 1888, died Dec. 5, 1912, Jacksonville, Fla.

Margaret Melissa Lea, (2'), was born June 18, 1838, died Feb. 3, 1888, married Thomas J. Batchelor, March 27, 1859, he died Aug. 2, 1876. Issue:

- A' William Dixon Lea Batchelor, b Dec. 30, 1859, d Feb. 1, 1879.
- B' Riley Batchelor, b Jan. 20, 1862, married Elizabeth Hayes, March 17, 1892.
- C' Saluda Chapman Batchelor, b Nov. 15, 1865, married John A. C. Gordon, Feb. 15, 1893, died Oct. 5, 1917, issue: Virginia Gordon, b April 23, 1895; John Gordon, b Jan. 18, 1899; Vanita Gordon, b April 8, 1901; Ludwell Lea Gordon, b Jan. 9, 1903.
- D' Virginia Lea Batchelor, b Sept. 18, 1863, married Frank Drenning, Jan. 2, 1890, Wathena, Kan., died Jan. 21, 1912, issue: Dudley

Lea Drenning, b Oct. 31, 1890, d July 31, 1892; Saluda Drenning, b May 4, 1893, m Oct. 15, 1921, George Turner Adams, of Akron, Ohio; Estelle Drenning, b Nov. 2, 1897 m W. N. Kerr, of Akron, Ohio; Beverly Drenning, b Nov. 27, 1902; Margaret Lyons Drenning, b June 16, 1903, d May 4, 1907.

E' Mary Lea Batchelor, b Dec. 25, 1867, d May 4, 1907, married David Lyons, 1901.

F' Maggie Batchelor, b Aug. 24, 1872, d Feb. 3, 1888.

G' Samuel Lea Batchelor, b Jan. 27, 1874.

Landon Ludwell Lea, (e) above, was born Oct. 16, 1810, died July 8, 1890, Amite Co. Miss., married Emily Robinson, Sept. 8, 1836, born Sept. 2, 1820, died May 8, 1841, married second, Charley Jane Edwards, Nov. 9, 1844, born Dec. 22, 1827, died June 30, 1862. Issue by first marriage:

1' James Monroe Lea.

2' William Jared Lea.

3' Emily Catherine Lea.

4' Mary Emily Lea, b Feb. 8, 1845, d Feb. 20, 1858.

5' Iverson David Lea, b April 6, 1847, d March 6, 1848.

6' Nancy Josephine Lea.

7' Ella Letitia Lea.

8' Roberta Eudora Lea, b Sept. 15, 1854, d Feb. 20, 1901, McComb, Miss., m William Franklin Holmes, Dec. 11, 1883, b May 31, 1854.

9' Eulalie Gertrude Lea, b Dec. 1, 1856, Amite Co., Miss., unmarried.

James Monroe Lea, (1'), was born Nov. 30, 1837, died April 3, 1891, married Florence McKnight, Oct. 17, 1865, born Oct. 2, 1847. Member of Company E. 22nd Miss. Regiment, War of 1861-65, Featherstone's Brigade, Stewarts Corp. Issue:

A' Fannie Emily Lea, b Aug. 19, 1866, d Oct. 23, 1890.

B' Julia Clay Lea, b March 29, 1868, married William Lafayette Deal, Dec. 20, 1888. Issue: Alexander Monroe Deal, b March 5, 1890, d Aug. 28, 1911; Ary Margaret Deal, b March 5, 1890, died Aug. 29, 1904; William Fay Deal, b Dec. 28, 1892, d Feb. 24, 1902; Susie Emily Deal, b Jan. 21, 1895, m Lee Blair; Henry Harville Deal, b June 5, 1898; Anna Lea Deal, b June 3, 1902; Cecil Homer

Deal, b Dec. 25, 1904; Julia Vera Deal, b July 21, 1907, d Oct. 5, 1911; Luna Lavelle Deal, b Jan. 5, 1911.

C' Landon Ludwell Lea, b May 5, 1871, d Sept. 19, 1878, Ladelle, Drew County, Ark.

D' Ary Florence Lea, b March 12, 1873, d June 19, 1879, Drew Co. Ark.

William Jared Lea (2'), born March 9, 1839, died Dec. 22, 1921, married Dec. 3, 1872, Ella Hension, born Feb. 6, 1854. Member Liberty Guards, Company E. 22nd Miss. Regiment War of 1861-65. Issue:

A' Charlie Lea, b Aug. 30, 1874, married Mrs Susie Van Norman, Nov. 4, 1902, born Aug. 21, 1874, issue: Ottilie Lea, b Dec. 25, 1903; Chas. Davis Lea, b July 19, 1905; Jewel Lea, b Aug. 31, 1907; Mildred Vaughn Lea, b July 18, 1910; William Jared Lea, b May 18, 1913.

B' Mary Emily Lea, b Feb. 22, 1877, d Sept. 12, 1884.

C' William M. Lea, b Nov. 30, 1878, disappeared in 1898 from Amite Co., Miss.

D' Van W. Lea, b July 1, 1881, married Ola Solley, issue: Eva Loraine Lea; Paul Lea; Georgia Lea; Phillip Lea.

E' Landon Ludwell Lea, b March 4, 1884, married Myrtle Jones, issue: Norman Jared Lea, b June 27, 1910.

F' Vaughn Lea, b Aug. 8, 1886, m Etta Haygood, issue: Margaret Elaine Lea.

G' Robert A. Lea, b Feb. 4, 1889.

H' Wallace J. Lea, b Oct. 19, 1891, m Sept. 26, 1915, Lola May Porter, issue: Barbara James Lea, b July 3, 1916; Virginia Lea.

I' Karl C. Lea, b Oct. 23, 1894.

Emily Catherine Lea, (3'), b May 8, 1841, d Feb. 3, 1887, Houston, Texas, married Charles William Harrell, Dec. 15, 1859, born May 1, 1837, Amite Co., Miss., d June 6, 1862, Osyka, Miss., m second Dec. 20, 1866, William Underwood, b Oct. 26, 1835, Shelbyville, Ky. Issue:

A' Landon Lea Harrell.

B' Charles Camelite Harrell, b Oct. 23, 1861, m William Gabe Martin, Dec. 22, 1880, died Oct. 1896, issue: Lea William Martin, b Oct. 3, 1881, d July 7, 1889; Charles Ellis Martin, b Feb. 19,

- 1896, issue: Lea William Martin, b Oct. 3, 1881, d July 7, 1889; Charles Ellis Martin, b Feb. 19, 1890; Robert Underwood Martin, born July 19, 1891, d Jan. 19, 1919; Edward Parker Martin, b Nov. 14, 1892, m Emmett Solomon; Beulah Catherine Martin, b Jan. 17, 1895, m Mr. Creswell.
- C' William Doss Underwood, (Actor, stage name "Lucifer"), born Sept. 15, 1867, m June 1891, Louise Alphonse Baptiste, Berkeley California. Issue: Emily Lea Underwood, b May 8, 1892.
- D' Fitzhugh Lea Underwood, b Sept. 7, 1869.
- E' Monroe J. Underwood, b July 8, 1871, m Aug. 27, 1897, Nancy Lytle, d Oct. 11, 1901. No issue. m second, Ida Barnhart, of Yoakum, Texas, Dec. 24, 1905. Issue: William M. Underwood, b Oct. 11, 1906; Thomas Monroe Underwood, b Nov. 5, 1907, d Sept. 5, 1911; Oscar Lea Underwood, b May 9, 1912; Mary Avis Underwood, b Dec. 9, 1925.
- F' Beulah Boyd Underwood, b 1874, m Sept. 14, 1901, Pitts Montgomery, d March 1924, Plantersville, Tex.
- G' Mary Elizabeth Underwood, b April 4, 1873, d 1875.
- H' Kate C. Underwood, b 1877, m D. A. Hoover, Pike county, Miss., Feb. 1901.
- I' Roberta Gertrude Underwood, b Nov. 7, 1878, m Nov. 5, 1898, Douglas Abshier, married second Oliver Earl Barker, of Texas, Dec. 1, 1906, married third, Mr. Pickerell, 1914.
- J' Alma A. Underwood, b July 24, 1885, married Frank Perry, Jan. 17, 1906, married second, James Corbett, July 10, 1914, married third, Mr. Firth, Feb. 19, 1917.
- Landon Lea Harrell (A'), was born Feb. 29, 1860, Amite Co., Miss., died Jan. 3, 1914, Los Angeles, Calif., married Veronica Donovan, Nov. 11, 1886, born May 18, 1869, died March 20, 1913, Los Angeles, Calif. Issue:
- a' Charles Donovan Harrell, b Sept. 26, 1887, d Sept. 24, 1920.
- b' Marguerite Harrell, b July 10, 1891, married Edward Locke, Dec. 25, 1908, b Sept. 19, 1887, m second, Cecil Nellis, issue: Edgar Locke, b Oct. 2, 1909; Lea Harrell Lock, b Oct. 1, 1910; Cecil

Nellis, Jr.

- c' Veronica Harrell, b June 23, 1891, m Clyde Perry, May 6, 1911, issue: Mildred Marie Perry, b Nov. 7, 1912.
- d' Joe D. Harrell, b June 21, 1896, d Oct. 12, 1919.
- e' Cecile Harrell, b May 16, 1899, married Earle Simmons, Washington, D. C.
- f' Elizabeth Harrell, b Oct. 1, 1900, married C. Ponder Wood, Houston, Texas, April 1920.
- g' Anthony Harrell, died in infancy.
- h' Annie Harrell, died in infancy.
- i' Marie Harrell, b Sept. 19, 1904.
- j' Michael Harrell, b May 13, 1901.
- k' Emily Lea Harrell.

Nancy Josephine Lea, (6'), was born Aug. 5, 1849, died April 4, 1911, McComb, Miss., married Seaborn T. Jones, Oct. 16, 1872, born Feb. 12, 1852, died Jan. 4, 1917. Issue:

- A' Katie Lea Jones, b April 12, 1874, m William Franklin Holmes, Dec. 25, 1901, b May 31, 1854, Lucedale, Miss. No issue, but adopted daughter, Katie Nell Holmes.
- B' Alice Gertrude Jones.
- C' Emily Ella Jones.
- D' William Reed Jones, b April 6, 1880, d April 15, 1880.
- E' Harry Aldridge Jones.
- F' James Monroe Jones, b March 19, 1887, d Nov. 25, 1923, m June 12, 1911, Bertha Ott, of Osyka, Miss., b Feb. 21, 1882. Issue: Esther Ott Jones, b Sept. 22, 1914; Landon Lea Jones, b March 21, 1917; William Monroe Jones, b June 22, 1920.
- G' Leon Ludwell Jones, b May 19, 1881, m March 18, 1906, Hattie Nix, of Houston, Texas, b Jan. 30, 1882, issue: Harry William Jones, b Feb. 8, 1907, Houston, Texas; Leonidas L. Jones, b Oct. 23, 1909; Addie Lea Jones, b Nov. 3, 1913, d May 1920.
- H' Viola Josephine Jones, b Feb. 2, 1890, m Clyde Wesley Brumfield, June 29, 1915.

Alice Gertrude Jones (B'), was born June 2, 1875, married Henry Clay Fuller, Oct. 16, 1889, born June 14, 1867. Issue:

- a' Francis Josephine Fuller, b

- Dec. 22, 1892, d Jan. 16, 1893, Texas.
- b' Diette Fuller, b April 19, 1894, Feb. 19, 1917, married Richard C. Cade. Issue: Lula Alice Cade, b Jan. 29, 1919, Texas.
- c' Bernice Gertrude Fuller, b Sept. 8, 1895, d Sept. 22, 1895.
- d' Bryan Holmes Fuller, b Oct. 10, 1896.
- e' Braun Monroe Fuller, b Dec. 5, 1897, m July 21, 1917, Lois Blake-ly. Issue: Virginia Lois Fuller, b June 27, 1918.
- f' Nellie Thomas Fuller, b March 21, 1899, d June 22, 1899, Swift, Texas.
- g' Katie Lea Fuller, b Sept. 2, 1900, m Charles C. Thomas, Dec. 24, 1919. Issue: Norma Thomas, b Dec. 24, 1920.
- h' Henry Clay Fuller, b Dec. 22, 1902.
- i' Seaborn Tecumseh Fuller, b July 8, 1904.
- j' Townsend Fuller, b Dec. 2, 1906.
- k' Robert Travis Fuller, b March 8, 1911.
- Emily Ella Jones (C'), was born Sept. 4, 1877, married Thomas J. Donahue, of Houston, Texas, March 23, 1897, born March 1, 1870, New York, Issue:
- a' Thomas J. Donahue, b Aug. 7, 1899, Houston, Tex.
- b' Katherine Donahue, b Jan. 13, 1898, married Dewitt Estess, Dec. 29, 1920, Issue: Emily Estess.
- Harry Aldridge Jones (E'), born Jan. 11, 1884, married Annie Nix, March 20, 1919. Issue:
- a' Louise Jones, b Feb. 4, 1920, Houston, Texas.
- Ella Letitia Lea, (7'), was born March 15, 1852, died Aug. 22, 1894, married Dec. 20, 1870, McClung Webb, of Amite Co., Miss., born Feb. 27, 1850. Issue:
- A' Annette Roberta Webb, b Nov. 22, 1872, d Jan. 20, 1893, married Charles Dixon, Jan. 21, 1892, born Aug. 19, 1870.
- B' Alva Scott Webb, b Dec. 3, 1874, d Nov. 30, 1895, fell into Mississippi River at Chalmette, La., and drowned.
- C' Frank Webb, b Sept. 5, 1876, d May 24, 1892.
- D' Lea Webb, b Jan. 4, 1880, d May 4, 1881.
- E' Clyde Rivers Webb, b Jan. 13, 1882, m Lena Elizabeth Berry-

hill, Dec. 23, 1900, b Nov. 26, 1882.

F' Clifford Webb, b Sept. 22, 1884, d Sept. 23, 1884.

G' Golda Holmes Webb, b Nov. 19, 1889, m William Alva Marsalis, Dec. 29, 1905, b Dec. 8, 1881. Issue: Hilda Lea Marsalis, b March 6, 1909; Emma Louise Marsalis, b Sept. 3, 1911. Married second, C. W. Briggs, May 27, 1914.

H' Robert Edward Webb, b May 7, 1892, d Jan. 22, 1893.

Melissa Lea (f), was born Feb. 18, 1813, died Sept. 19, 1882, married William McDuffy Matthews, Dec. 3, 1833, born May 15, 1808, died June 6, 1848, Bayou Gross Tete Parish, Point Coupee, La. Issue:

1' Mary Jane Matthews, b Sept. 12, 1834, d June 30, 1878, St. Helena Parish, La., m Jan. 30, 1851, Theodore Frederick Anderson, b Sept. 6, 1820, Sweden, Parish of Rogeta, England, Province of Helsendegland, d Nov. 1900. Issue: Edward McDuffy Anderson, b Dec. 30, 1853; William Eric Anderson, b April 16, 1857, d 1859; Laceland Co., Mo; Annie Julia M. Anderson, born in 1859; Lena Jane Anderson; Oscar Wallace Anderson; Frederick Lea Anderson, b Nov. 1872, d Feb. 22, 1904, Baton Rouge, La.

2' Julia Virginia Matthews, b Nov. 28, 1836, d April 10, 1886, St. Helena Parish, La., m Napoleon B. Calmez, of Hinds county, Miss., March 9, 1854, b Feb. 4, 1828. Issue: William Berry Calmez; Sarah Melissa Calmez; Mary Elizabeth Calmez; Myrtella Calmez; Julia Calmez; Rosa Wygelia Calmez; Octavia Calmez; Lilly Lea Calmez; William Berry Calmez, 2nd; Calhoun Caldwell Calmez; Napoleon Bonaparte Calmez.

3' William Wallace Matthews.

4' Wesley Lea Matthews, b Oct. 23, 1841, d May 6, 1842.

5' George McDuffy Matthews, b March 10, 1843, Bayou Gross Tete, La., d Aug. 16, 1850, Carrollton, La.

6' Nancy Clay Matthews, b Sept. 7, 1845, d Sept. 19, 1845.

7' Margaret Rosalie Matthews, b Oct. 31, 1846, Bayou Gross Tete,

La., d Aug. 19, 1850, Carrollton, La.

William Wallace Matthews (3'), was born June 10, 1839, died Dec. 24, 1911, buried Masonic Cemetery, New Orleans, La., married Catherine Lavinia Hutchinson, born April 6, 1846, died Jan. 4, 1889. Issue:

A' Charles Lea Matthews, b Aug. 26, 1876, married Sarah Elizabeth Easley, Nov. 29, 1897. Issue: Lorena Lavinia Matthews, b Dec. 17, 1898; William Davis Matthews, b Aug. 5, 1901; James Eric Matthews, b Jan. 6, 1908; Mamie Elizabeth Matthews, b Aug. 4, 1910.

B' Eulalie Matthews, m Dennis Mills, Louisiana.

Robert Montgomery Lea (h), was born Oct. 7, 1817, died Aug. 30, 1855, married Letty Edwards, of Wilkinson county, Miss., born Dec. 22, 1812, died Dec. 11, 1879. After death of R. M. Lea in 1855, Letty E. Lea, married Peter Graham Quin, of Pike county, Miss. No issue by first marriage, but adopted Eleanor Lombard, b Jan., 1852, married Nov. 21, 1872, Dr. W. W. Wroten, of Magnolia, Miss., b May 15, 1847. Issue:

A' Robert Lea Wroten, b Nov. 24, 1873.

B' Vincent J. Wroten, b Nov. 29, 1875.

C' Lillian L. Wroten, b July 14, 1878, married first, Jack Vaught. Married second, Grant Flippin. Issue: Lillian W. Vaught, b 1906, Magnolia, Miss.

D' Hugh William Wroten, b Oct. 29, 1880, m first, Annie Allen. m second, Alice Ott, Aug. 2, 1917, b 1887. Issue: William Hugh Wroten, b March 30, 1919.

Mary Reed Lea (i), was born Feb. 6, 1820, Amite Co., Miss., died Sept. 14, 1884, Magnolia, Miss., married first, Thomas Gorden, b Feb. 7, 1812, S. C. died Oct. 8, 1839, Amite Co., Miss. Married second, Samuel Lee, born May 9, 1796, S. C. died Oct. 8, 1876, East Feliciana Parish, La. Issue:

1' Julia Virginia Lee.

2' Mary Catherin Lee.

3' Charles G. Lee, b Aug. 4, 1850, m America Lucretia Smith, 1875. Issue: Mary Lee, b May, 1876.

4' Emily Smith Lee.

5' Jennie Clay Lee.

Julia Virginia Lee (1'), was born

Jan. 25, 1844, E. Feliciana Parish, La., died April 24, 1920, Washington, D. C., married Heman Asbury Battles, Oct. 11, 1866, born Oct. 22, 1828, Lowell, Mass., died May 2, 1881, Colorado Springs, Colo. Issue:

A' Mary Morton Battles, b Aug. 10, 1867, Chatawa, Miss.

B' Julia Virginia Battles, b Sept. 4, 1869.

C' Samuel Lee Battles, b Aug. 4, 1871, m Katie M. Clough, of Amite, La., Nov. 21, 1894. Residence Washington, D. C.

D' Harriet Clay Battles, b Aug. 20, 1874, m Dr. Lyman James Clements, of Washington, D. C., Feb. 11, 1892. Issue: Julia Lea Clements, b Feb. 17, 1905, Washington, D. C.; William Heman Clements, b July 20, 1907; Samuel Clements, b Oct. 7, 1915.

E' Heman Asbury Battles, b May 1, 1876. Residence, Gulfport, Miss.

F' Nina Lea Battles, b Jan. 20, 1878, d Feb. 17, 1876, New Orleans, La.

David Clay Lea (j), born Nov. 4, 1821, Amite Co., Miss., died Oct. 4, 1847, married Nancy Edwards, Sept. 10, 1843, born Dec. 12, 1823, Wilkinson county, Miss. After the death of D. C. Lea, Nancy E. Lea married Murdock McCrain, on Sept. 23, 1850, born 1824, died 1871. Issue by first marriage:

1' Charles Edward Lea.

Charles Edward Lea (1'), was born April 6, 1848, died May 18, 1890, Greensburg, La., married Mary Hutchinson, born June 18, 1844, died Nov. 10, 1888, Greensburg, La. Issue:

A' Claud Lea.

B' Leila Lea, b Feb. 15, 1877, Greensburg, La., married Andrew Jackson Alford, Nov. 17, 1895, b April 10, 1874. Issue: Myrtis Lea Alford, b March 4, 1897; Mary Eliza Alford, b Feb. 3, 1898; Claudia Alford, (girl), b Dec 19, 1900; Daisy Irene Alford, b Aug. 2, 1903; Willie Allen Alford, b Feb. 3, 1906; John Dean Alford, b Dec. 13, 1912.

Sabrina Clay (J) Lea.

Sabrina Clay, daughter of James Clay and Margaret Muse Clay, married Zachariah Lea, who was a member of the Mississippi State Legislature, session of 1820, representing Amite County. Captain in Claiborne's

Regiment of Mississippi Militia, War of 1812. Reference, Adjutant General's office, War Department, Washington, D. C., No. 1637 159. Land records show Zacharia Lea settled in Amite County, Miss., July 15, 1807. Issue:

- a Elizabeth Lea.
- b Isabella (called Elceba) Lea, b March 1, 1805, Grainger county, Tenn., d Dec. 22, 1877, at Summitt, Miss., married first, Hon. Jehu Wall, 17 years a member of the Mississippi Legislature. No issue. Married second, Richard Bates. No issue.
- c Lucinda Clay Lea.
- d Hampton Muse Lea.
- e Alfred Mead Lea.
- f Nancy Lea.
- g Wilford Zachariah Lea.
- h James Everett Lea.
- i Iverson Green Lea.

Elizabeth Lea (a), was born Nov. 22, 1802, near Lea Springs, Tenn., died Jan. 6, 1878, Amite Co., Miss., married first, John Frith, married second, John Everett in 1835, born July 31, 1793, Richland District, S. C., died Aug. 5, 1860, Amite Co. Miss. Issue:

- 1' Monroe Frith.
- 2' James Wilborn Frith.
- 3' Lucinda Lea Frith.
- 4' Amanda Frith, b Aug. 10, 1830.
- 5' Winchester Everett, son of Elizabeth Lea and John Everett, b Nov. 21, 1835, Amite Co., Miss., d June 14, 1920, Amite Co., Miss., unmarried. Member Judge Hurst's Company from Liberty, Miss., War of 1861-65.
- 6' Sabrina Everett, b Nov. 19, 1838, d Aug. 10, 1853.
- 7' Zachariah Lea Everett.

Monroe Frith (1'), born April 15, 1828, m Matilda Dickey. Issue: Robert Frith, Magnolia, Miss; married Floyd Atkinson. Issue: Clinton Frith, Monroe Frith; Robert Frith, Magnolia, Miss.; Eleanor Frith, married Mr. Brent.

B' Phoebe Frith, m Shadrack Young: Issue: Horace Young; Monroe Young, m Bessie Easley; Hugh Young; Myra Young, m Green Norman; Flora Young; Winchester Young.

C' Sallie Frith, b May 23, 1862, m June 15, 1881; Edward Paul Weirauch. Residence, 517 W. Daggett Ave., Ft. Worth, Texas.

Issue: Rowena Lee Weirauch, m Mr. Thorp, Dallas, Texas; Katie Weirauch, Ft. Worth Texas.

James Wilborn Frith (2') born 1833 died May 14, 1898, McComb, Miss., married Annie Harrell. Issue:

- A' William Frith.
- B' John Frith, m first, Julia Spurlock, married second, Miss Wyatt
- C' Monroe Frith, m Maggie Sims.
- D' Chris Frith, m Pearl Andrews.
- E' James Dock Frith, m Eugenia Bonds.
- F' Elu Frith.
- G' Frances Frith.
- H' Eva Frith, b 1872, d Aug. 13, 1879.

I' Lula Frith, m Zachariah Reeves.

J' Ary Frith, m Charles Wilkinson. No issue, but adopted daughter, Lucy Wilkinson.

K' Addie Frith.

Frances Frith, (G')), married J. Dudley McDowell, born 1859. Issue:

a' Edward Franklin McDowell, m Annie Elizabeth Godfrey, June 8, 1911.

b' Russell McDowell.

c' Golda McDowell, m Frank L. Butler, McComb, Miss., Issue Elwin Butler; Celeste Butler; Frances Elizabeth Butler; Frank Lea Butler; Wilborn Butler; Russell Butler.

d' Dudley McDowell.

Addie Frith (K'), married, J. Emmett Wilkinson. Issue:

a' Katie Wilkinson, m Exba O'Mara. Issue: Junior O'Mara; Emmett O'Mara.

b' Maud Wilkinson, m Cecil B. Sauls. Issue: Cecil B. Sauls; Annie Lynn Sauls.

c' Annie Wilkinson, m L. M. Hicks. Issue: Kathryn Hicks.

d' Myrtis Wilkinson, m Murray Quin. Issue: Murray Quin, Jr., Louie Quin.

e' Nellie Wilkinson, m Carleton E. Hunt., McComb, Miss.

f' Louie E. Wilkinson, m Elmer Hargrove.

Lucinda Lea Frith (3'), was born July 18, 1824, Amite Co. Miss., died July 17, 1909, Amite Co. Miss. Married Ivy F. Thompson, 1844, born Jan. 15, 1820, died July 28, 1860. Issue:

A' Wilborn Monroe Thompson.

B. Eunice Elizabeth Thompson, b June 20, 1848. Unmarried.

C' Ida Lucinda Thompson.

D' Eudora Holmes Thompson, b April 11, 1857, died Dec. 31, 1861.
William Monroe Thompson, (A'), born Aug. 17, 1853, died Aug. 20, 1901. Issue: William Monroe Thompson, b April 11, 1882, d Aug. 21, 1882.

b' Leslie Lea Thompson, b April 22, 1876, m Dec. 23, 1900, Lucy D. Creighton. Issue: William Monroe Thompson, b Sept. 21, 1902 m Lamar Davis, Nov. 5, 1925 Lake Charles, La.; Ida Pearl Thompson, b March 17, 1904, Long Beach Cal.

c' Ivy Finch Thompson, b Aug. 28, 1883, d Sept. 29, 1883.

d' Minnie Eudora Thompson, b Nov. 23, 1885, d Aug. 21, 1887.

e' Bessie Ida Thompson, b May 31, 1889, m May 22, 1910, George Ashford, Lewis, La.

f' Augusta Allen Thompson, b May 11, 1891, d Dec. 1, 1891.

Ida Lucinda Thompson (C'), born Aug 27, 1859, died Nov. 16, 1912, married George Godbold, March 7, 1888. Issue:

a' Minnie Clyde Godbold, b 1889, m Rev. Ivy K. Floyd. Address, Dallas, Texas. Issue: Lamar Floyd; Ray Floyd; F. G. Floyd.

b' Alma Lea Godbold.

c' Ivy Finch Godbold.

d' Carrie Lou Godbold, b July 10, 1894, m Jan. 30, 1920, John W. Mullins, Meadville, Miss. Issue: Aaron Wesley Mullins, b April 5, 1922; George Lester Mullins, b Dec. 9, 1924; Ida Pearl Mullins, b April 25, 1926.

Zachariah Lea Everett (7'), born 1812, died Dec. 22, 1912, Monroe, La. Member Company C 7th Mississippi Regiment, War of 1861-65. married Elizabeth Jourdan, Nov. 24, 1868, born Dec. 8, 1847, died March 20, 1913. Issue:

A' John William Everett, b Dec. 13, 1869, d May 1, 1898, Ruston, La.

B' William Joseph Everett, m Lorena Fort. Issue: Nelle Everett.

Lucinda Clay Lea (twin of Elceba Lea), (c), was born March 1, 1805, Grainger Co. Tenn., died Dec. 17, 1886, Amite Co. Miss., married John Richmond, born Nov. 5, 1801, died

June 24, 1882. Issue:

1' Elizabeth Richmond.

2, Seaborn Clay Richmond, b Nov. 30, 1829, died Dec. 19, 1853, of yellow fever, at Clinton, La.

3' William Clayton Richmond, b Nov. 30, 1829, died Dec. 19, 1853, of yellow fever, at Clinton, La.

4' John Clayton Richmond, m Malinda Wicker. Issue: Frances and Elizabeth Wicker, twins; Seaborn Wicker; William Wicker.

5' Jane Richmond, m first, Mr. Shelton, m second Mr. Flannigan.

6' Iverson Green Richmond.

7' Emily Margaret Richmond

Elizabeth Richmond, (P), married Isaac Robinson. Issue:

A' Thomas Robinson, m Miss Sharpe.

B' John Robinson.

C' Wilford Robinson, b 1852, d March 2, 1918, Amite Co. Miss., m Frances Frith, Dec. 2, 1876.

Issue: Wilford Robinson; W. E. Robinson; Winnie Robinson.

D' Erastus Robinson, m Elizabeth McMichale.

E' Lea Robinson.

F' Ella Robinson, married first, Mr. Terrell, m second, Jackson Williams, b Feb. 11, 1842, d Oct. 14, 1925. Issue: Myrtis Terrell, m Dr. Murray Quin, Amite Co. Miss.; George Terrell, unmarried; Howard Williams; Boyd Williams; Judge Williams; Carey Williams.

G' Emily Robinson, b 1860, d Aug. 23, 1923.

H' Janie Robinson, m Aug. 23, 1911, Dr. O. N. Arrington, Brookhaven, Miss.

I' Kittie Robinson.

J' Lucinda Robinson.

John Robinson (B'), born March 21 1850, m Dec. 18, 1872, Mattie Wilson, b 1846, d June 14, 1920.. Issue:

a' Rosalie Robinson, m Ira S. Wyatt, Columbia, Miss. Issue: Edward Wyatt, m Willie Carr, Aug. 20, 1922; Eugene Wyatt.

b' Thomas Robinson.

c' Charles Ray Robinson, m Ruth Darville. Issue: Charles Ray Robinson, McComb, Miss.

d' Annie Robinson, m Harry Butler, Amite Co. Miss.

e' Edward L. Robinson, m Eva L. Hinton, Oct. 24, 1912. Issue: Evelyn Hinton, McComb Miss.; Edith Frances Hinton.

Lucinda Robinson (J'), married Hamilton Ray McKnight. Issue:

a' Ethel McKnight, m Arthur C. Truex, McComb, Miss. Issue: Elizabeth B. Truex, b April 29, 1905, d Feb. 11, 1926; Mildred Truex; Dorothy Truex.

b' Hettie McKnight.

c' Clyde McKnight, m R. A. Gulfe, New Orleans, La., Jan. 19, 1913.

d' Hamilton Ray McKnight, m Evelyn Martin, Oct. 12, 1915.

e' Julia McKnight, m Julian Ober-schmidt, McComb, Miss., April 20, 1920.

Iverson Green Richmond (6'), was born April 3, 1835, died Jan. 11, 1894, lost his right arm at battle of Franklin Tenn. War of 1861-65, married Saint Helena Williams, born Oct. 22, 1842, died July 8, 1900. Issue:

A' John Richmond.

B' Dudley Richmond.

C' Seaborn Clay Richmond, b 1871 died Feb. 1926, Shreveport, La. m Rosa McDaniel. Issue: Clarence Richmond; Charles Richmond; Alton Richmond; Harry Richmond; Robert Lea Richmond.

D' Iverson Richmond.

E' Dolly Varden Richmond.

F' Burke Richmond.

G' John Richmond.

H' Myers Richmond.

I' Elizabeth Wheeler Richmond.

J' Nicholas Richmond.

Emily Margaret Richmond (7'), b 1841, died Sept. 17, 1914, married Dr. W. C. Taylor. Issue:

A' Robert L. Taylor, m Elizabeth Tate. Issue: Ozzie Vernon Taylor, Kentwood, La.

B' Iverson Taylor.

C' John Everett Taylor, b Nov. 21, 1869, d Sept. 15, 1875.

D' Lula Taylor, m R. W. Draughn, Jackson, Miss.

E' James Lea Taylor, b Oct. 27, 1864, d Aug 2, 1895.

Hampton Muse Lea (d), was born Oct 5, 1810, "Travis Place", Amite Co. Miss., died Aug. 19, 1886, Amite Co. Miss., married Maria Gordon, b Oct. 13, 1810, died July 16, 1883, Issue:

1' Alothea Ann Lea.

2' George Sylvester Lea, b June 20, 1836, d Nov. 30, 1864. Killed at battle of Franklin, Tenn., War of 1861-65.

3' Jane Melissa Lea, b March 5, 1818, d Oct. 23 1862, m Dr. C. F.

Felder, b 1814, Miss., died 1875, Texas. Issue: Alvie D. Felder, b July 27, 1861, physician and banker, Magnolia, Miss. Married Ada Lenoir, 1886. No issue:

4' Cicelay Lea.

5' Marshall Thomas Lea.

Alothea Ann Lea (1'), was born Oct. 17, 1834, died May 18, 1904, married Thomas H. McDowell. Issue:

A' Cicely McDowell.

B' Edmund A. McDowell, b 1857, Amite Co. Miss., d Apr. 14, 1924, Beaumont Texas. Judge of the 60th District Court of Texas. Married first, Minnie McDowell, b May 19, 1858, d Aug. 25, 1898, married second, Mrs. Laura Ferguson, daughter of Dr. Banks, of Clinton Miss.

C' Elizabeth McDowell, Magnolia, Miss.

D' Minnie McDowell, m Logan Phillips of Jackson, Miss. Issue: William Phillips; Doris Phillips. Cicely McDowell (A'), married Hil- lery Garner and had issue:

a' Hillery Garner, b 1883, d Jan. 5 1915, Magnolia, Miss., m A Thad Leggett. Issue: Thad Leggett, Jr.

Cicelay Lea (4'), born March 31 1843, died Feb. 19, 1906, married C. Luke Guy. Issue:

A' Jefferson Davis Guy, m Georgia Butler. Issue: Harry T. Guy, m Hilda Wall.

B' Ada Guy, m Mr. Butler.

Marshall Thomas Lea (5'), born Nov. 3, 1844, d July 5 1897, married Dora Hitchcock. Issue:

A' George Lea, b Jan. 17, 1875, d Aug. 28, 1890.

B' Robert Lea, born Dec. 10, 1876, died February 2, 1877.

C' Frank Lea, m Millie Reynolds.

D' Virgil A Lea, m Annie Reynolds.

E' Elizabeth Lea, m Dr. Seaborn Reynolds, Gloster Miss.

F' Lillian Lea, m Jan. 18, 1912 Daniel Hunter McLeod.

G' Muse Lea, m Ella Smith. Issue: Hampton Lea; James Lea.

H' Clark Rice Lea.

I' Cary Lea.

J' Alvie Lea (girl)

Alfred Mead Lea (e), married Elizabeth Garner. (Dr. T. S. Jones of Baton Rouge, La., writes: "Some fifty years ago Alfred Mead Lea and

family moved to Jackson, La. and I attended them as physician. I know Clement Clay Lea, Also Clement Clay father and son, both of whom had been Governor and U. S. Senator of Alabama. I learned that Mrs. Elizabeth Garner Lea was a sister to the younger Clay and a daughter of the Elder one, and that Mr. Garner, her father, came from Madison County, Ala., and was a near neighbor to my father and mother".) Alfred Mead Lea moved from Amite Co. Miss. to Feliciana Parish, La. in 1849. Issue:

- 1' Clement Clay Lea.
- 2' James M. Lea.
- 3' Hampton Muse Lea, b Jan. 31, 1836, d Sept. 26, 1911, m Emma Jones, March 21, 1879, d April 8, 1880, m second, Rhoda Worthy, June 9, 1882, born Feb. 5, 1847. Member 4th Louisiana Regiment Co. A. Hunters Rifles, War of 1861-65. Issue: Emma Lea, m April 19, 1899, Frank Morton Thompson, b 1872, d July 22, 1919 Slaughter, La; Alma Lea, d April 1897; Harry Lea, m Floretta Garcia, Jan. 27, 1904; Mabel Lea, m April 5 1907, Rev. W. L. Doss; Lillian Lea, m Charles L. Munson, March 23, 1921, attorney of St. Francisville, La.; Hampton Muse Lea.
- 4' Zachariah Lea.
- 5' Frank Lea, m and had issue: Belle Lea, Daisy Lea; Pryor Wilford Lea; Elizabeth Lea, m W. J. Johnson; Frank Lea; Myrtis Lea; Charles Lea; Florence Lea; Alec Ripley Lea; Zachariah Lea.
- 6' Pryor Lea, died in prison at Camp Chase, Ohio, War of 1861-65.

7' Sarah Elizabeth Lea.

Clement Clay Lea (1'), killed in battle, Atlanta, Ga. War of 1861-65, married Julia Cox. Issue:

- A' Henry Alfred Lea, married and had issue: Henry Muse Lea.
- B' Theodosia Lea.
- C' Clara Clay Lea, m A. C. Ripley, Issue: Julia Ripley m D. S. Powell.

James M. Lea (2'), born 1835, in Amite Co. Miss, married Laura Armistead, born 1840, Wilkinson Co. Miss., died 1906, Coushatta, La. Issue:

- A' Alfred Mead Lea, married and had issue: Walker Lea; Lilly Lea,

Leona Lea, m S. H. Vignes, Dec. 7, 1921; Alfred Mead Lea.

- B' Kate Lea, m Henry Harvey. Issue: James Harvey; Dave Harvey; Henry Harvey; Emma Harvey, m Mr. Munson.

C' Lula Lea, m Keete Lockett, Coushatta, La.

Zachariah Lea (4'), born March 17, 1830, died Sept. 19, 1902, Jackson; La. Married Sallie Worthy, May 2, 1865, born Dec. 26, 1839. Issue:

- A' Jessie Worthy Lea, b Oct. 5, 1868, m Grace Mardenbrough, Dec. 12 1899, born May 5, 1873, daughter of George Wright Mardenbrough (born St. Kitts, West Indies, and wife Jane Cecilia Riley, b Aug. 13, 1850, Mobile, Ala. Issue: Helen Mardebrough Lea, b Dec. 21, 1900, Jackson, La.

B' Estelle Lea, b Nov. 11, 1870, m Feb. 14, 1895, Herbert H. Ferguson.

C' Ida Lea, b Feb. 5, 1873, unmarried.

D' Mary Coline Lea, b Jan. 24, 1877, Jackson, La. d April 5, 1907 when cyclone destroyed old family residence.

E' Evelyn Lea, b Dec. 12 1879, d May 11, 1881.

Sarah Elizabeth Lea (1'), married D. C. Thompson, died January 24 1924, Slaughter, La. Issue:

A' Frank Morton Thompson, b 1872, d July 22, 1919, m Emma Lee, April 19, 1899.

B' Edna Earl Thompson.

C' May Belle Thompson, m F. M. Leguence, Abbeville, La. Issue: Frances M. Leguence; Miriam Elizabeth LeGuence.

D' John Scott Thompson, m and had issue: Bessie Morton Thompson.

Nancy Lea (f), was born March 7, 1814, died Feb. 6, 1846, Amite Co. Miss. Married Aaron Robinson, Issue:

- 1' Louisa Robinson, m Jared Jackson. Issue: James Lea Jackson, b Sept. 24, 1865, d Feb. 24, 1878.
- 2' Erastus Clay Robinson, b Dec. 31, 1833, d March 11, 1857.
- 3' Moses Robinson, disappeared from Centerville, Miss., in 1877.
- 4' Thryza Robinson, died in youth.
- 5' James Robinson, killed in War of 1861-65.

Wilford Zachariah Lea (g), was born Dec. 27, 1816, near Liberty, Miss. Died Dec. 20, 1906, Liberty,

Miss. Married Rachael Powell, Jan. 27, 1842, born July 6, 1819, died on March 10, 1904, Liberty, Miss.

From "Some Men Of The Pew" by Z. T. Leavell, we take the following tribute:

"Wilford Zachariah Lea was born at Huron, Miss. Dec. 27, 1816. Huron is about thirteen miles East of Liberty, the county seat of Amite County, Missississippi. His father and mother, Zachariah Lea and Sabrina Clay, were married in Virginia, the state of nativity. After a short stay near the present city of Knoxville, Tenn. coming down the Tennessee and Mississippi rivers in a flat boat of their own construction, they reached Natchez, Miss. about 1805. Zachariah Lea had a number of brothers who came to Miss., with him, and the women would ply the oars while the men would ward off the Indians, with their rifles.

"Along with these emigrants came to our state, a woman of blessed memory, Mrs. Margaret Muse Clay, who was the grandmother of Wilford Zachariah Lea. She was born in Chesterfield County, Va. April 2, 1737 and died at Huron, Amite Co., Miss. Feb. 13, 1832. About one hundred and fifty years ago, she was accustomed in her native state (Virginia) to go and hear the persecuted Baptist preachers preach from the prison windows to those who would congregate outside jail. She became a convert, and to avoid persecution, was baptized in the night in James River, near Richmond. The ice was broken to make a place for the solemn ceremony, witnessed by the stars, and the few whose love for their Master cast out fear of the tribunal of men. But they could not elude the watchfulness of the enemies of religious liberty, and being apprehended were sentenced, to pay a considerable fine or be publicly whipped at the post. Margaret Muse Clay could not pay this fine, and the public flogging for being a Baptist would have been administered to her, but for a kind-hearted one who paid the fine for her.

"Margaret Muse Clay lived with Zachariah Lea, the father of Wilford Zachariah Lea. She gave thanks at the table and conducted family worship. She would sometimes have young Wilford kneel by her side, and placing her hand on his head, would pray Heaven's blessing on the

youth of tender years. What a benediction on the boy! Ah, how lovely the grandmothers who speak to the dimple-checked flaxen haired little boys of the light they see coming over the Jasper Walls from the Throne of One whose "years shall not fail". Mr. Winchester Everett, of Amite county, Miss. has the old arm-chair (made of hand hewn hickory and brought with her from Virginia) and the hymn book that belonged to Grandmother Clay, which he prizes for memories that cluster about them. Her remains rest in peace in the family burying grounds of the Leas at Lea Hall, Amite Co. Miss.

"Virginia has in Hollywood, at Richmond, the mortal remains of our Southern Chieftain, Mississippi's pride—Jefferson Davis. May his ashes rest there in peace! Mississippi's genial soil holds the sacred dust of one of Virginia's noblest daughters—Margaret Muse Clay, born so near Richmond as within the sound of a cannon shot, and our generosity is not called upon to yield anything to the "Mother of Presidents" in exchange of the ashes of a Statesman for the sacred dust of a saint.

"Zachariah and Sabrina Clay Lea first settled on the Amite River, ten miles east of Liberty, Miss. about 63 miles southeast from Natchez, Miss. After laboring through the day, at night he pounded his corn in a mortar for meal. He brought salt and flour for his family on a pony from Natchez, Miss. along the Indian trails. The old Salem Church of Cole's Creek had then been in existence fourteen years.

"After remaining a few years on the Amite River, Zachariah Lea moved to Huron, three miles further east, where Wilford Zachariah Lea was born, and where James Everett Lea, Sr., grandson of Zachariah Lea, is now living. Here Dr. Charles H. Otken found his wife (Miss Emily Jane Lea) and Elder A. J. Miller followed his example, and Elder Robert W. Merrill got a good wife when he married the sister of the wives of these two noble men, the three being the sisters of James Everett Lea, Sr. My head would grow dizzy should I climb higher up this Genealogical Tree, and I trust I shall be excused from any further demonstration of my agility in the ancestral garden.



... Liberty Bell Baptist Church when he was twenty-years of age, and was baptized by Elder W. B. Hall. This was about 1841. He has continued his membership at Liberty until the present time. He moved to his home three miles east of Liberty in 1849. He has been a member of the Liberty church ever since. He has been a faithful and constant attendant at church. For thirty years he did not fail thirty times to attend the conference meetings of his church. He has not in the fifty-nine years of his connection with the Liberty church been asked for his contribution to his pastor's salary, it is always paid promptly. For fifty-nine years a member of a church and not once necessary under the most trying financial conditions of his church, to ask him for money to pay the pastor. Ah! That some people in our state would read this. Such statements are far too prosy for them. "Mr. Lea had been a Deacon for 47 years, and served as clerk of his church 30 years. He was treasurer of the old Mississippi Association twenty-five years. The Mississippi Association is the Mother Association in the State, constituted Sept. 1806. It has had many great laymen, and to be treasurer of it for twenty-five years is no mean compliment.

"Mr. Lea had in his long life, been a man of great hospitality. His residence is a typical southern rural house, two stories high, with spacious rooms, broad halls, and with a wide inviting front veranda. In passing such a home, anyone feels as if he is doing violence to his love of ease not to turn in and enjoy the cool shades or enter its open doors. Here Baptist preachers have been entertained for more than fifty years, and the doors are wide open yet. It used to be said, if a Baptist preacher went to South Miss. to preach, he must go to see Wilford Z. Lea and get him to sign his credentials. The first time I ventured to preach in the Mississippi Association was at New Providence church, I asked him to do the usual favor. With a merry laugh, he said the people would take my word for it that I had met him and gotten his approval. Dr. J. R. Graves was very fond of Mr. Lea. During Dr. Graves' last days, he visited this gen-

erous host and remained with him a fortnight or more to recuperate his failing health. It was Dr. Graves who gave Mr. Lea's home the name of "The Free Baptist Hotel." Perhaps the good old deacon has not at any time heard the flapping of the wings of Angels, but doubtless he has often felt after his visitors had left his hospitable home he had gotten more than he had imparted.

"Wilford Zachariah Lea is a ripe Christian character. His pastor, Elder T. C. Schilling says, "Bro. Lea is one of the most consecrated christians that I have ever known." In speaking in view of the approaching Graves' last days, he visited this genend of his life, Mr. Lea said: "My mother was a good woman. I hope to see her before long. I am as a man on his way home, waiting at the depot for the coming train. I am listening for the whistle." His soul may be happy when he hears the shriek of the engine down the way, but many will mourn his loss and the world will be poorer when the Heavenly Train pulls out with Wilford Zachariah Lea aboard.

"Mr. Lea is a correct man. He inherited from his old grandmother the feeling that what is right is worthy to be observed, and that the demands of conscience are final. The pleading of policy and the proffer of a bribe are as sounding brass to such people, they are a positive annoyance, and rejected with scorn. I have it in my mind that Margaret Muse Clay and Henry Clay were related by blood. Henry Clay, the son of a Baptist minister, was born and reared in the "slashes" of Hanover county, Va. near Richmond, on the north side of the James River. Henry Clay said, "I would rather be right than be President." Margaret Muse Clay was ready to bear the lash for conscience sake.

"Wilford Z. Lea was born in this strain of blood. His life has been ordered by the plummet of truth, his edges have been cut by the ledger line of Holy Writ. He has always aligned himself with the good, the true, the progressive, and no spectres of wronged widows and orphans haunt him in his declining years. He has lived for God and Humanity, Grateful humanity honors and reveres him and God is ready to receive and reward him.

Issue of Wilfor Zachariah Lea and Rachel Powell Lea are as follows:

- 1' Josiah Powell Lea, b Aug. 30, 1843, d June 17, 1864 d Atlanta, Ga. War of 1861-65.
 - 2' Cornelia Lea, b 1847, m James G. Dixon, b Dec. 29, 1845, d Nov. 26, 1894. Issue: Myrtis Dixon; New Orleans; Annie Dixon, m James Howell; Lea Dixon, m Miss Wahl, of New Orleans; James Dixon, New Orleans.
 - 3' Jefferson Davis Lea.
 - 4' William Alfred Lea.
 - 5' Iverson Green Lea.
 - 6' Sabrina Jane Lea, b Nov. 20, 1856, d Dec. 26, 1900.
 - 7' Mary Emma Lea.
 - 8' Wilford Zachariah Lea, b Dec. 7, 1860, Liberty, Miss. married Mollie Garrow, Dec. 5, 1887, born March 30, 1866. Issue: Nathaniel G. Lea, b Oct. 12, 1888, died April 30, 1890; Janie Lorena Lea, b Feb. 10, 1892, m March 14, 1921 James S. Goodwin, of Marvell, Ark; John Carl Lea, b Nov. 19, 1893; Gertrude Howe Lea, b Jan. 8, 1897, d May 5, 1901; Mary Lea, b Sept. 11, 1899; Wilford Zachariah Lea, b March 5, 1904.
- Jefferson Davis Lea (3'), born July 13, 1850, married Dec. 29, 1875, Janie Going. Issue:
- A' Howard G. Lea, b Sept. 26, 1876, married Ella Inman, New York City.
 - B' Elizabeth Lea, b Aug. 6, 1878, Memphis, Tenn.
 - C' Emma Lea, b Nov. 2, 1884.
 - D' Joseph D. Lea, b Dec. 5, 1880, m Nellie Henson, had issue: address, 5530 S. Liberty St., New Orleans.
 - E' Edna A. Lea, b Dec. 6, 1885, m Dr. E. D. Butler, Oct. 6, 1914. Address, Wilmer, Ark.
 - F' Georgia D. Lea, Memphis, Tenn.
 - G' Perla Lea, Brookhaven, Miss.
 - H' Memie R. Lea, m Lawrence L. Simpson, Feb. 14, 1918. Stevensville, Mont. Issue: Lawrence L. Simpson.
 - I' Henry Lea.
- William Alfred Lea (4'), born April 28, 1852, married Jan. 2, 1878, Ella Anderson, b Dec. 11, 1860, d April 28, 1917, Amory, Miss. Issue:
- A' Ernest Linwood Lea, b Oct 17, 1878, d Jan. 26, 1926, Byhalia, Miss. married Dec. 18, 1917, Lillie Bertha Roper.

B' William Edgar Lea.

C' Eugene Scott Lea, b Dec. 14, 1882, Ft. Worth, Texas. Married Hazel Ward, June 24, 1911.

D' Thomas Stockdale Lea, b June 6, 1885. 4318 Madison St., Chicago.

E' Mary Edith Lea, b Sept. 22, 1887, m Eugene Runion, Commerce, Ga., Feb. 19, 1907.

F' Ralph Monette Lea, b March 12, 1890, d June 14, 1918.

G' Hoyt Clay Lea, b June 26, 1892, Atlanta, Ga.

H' Curry Lea, b Mar. 10, 1895, 195 Broadway, N. Y.

I' Theodore Emerson Lea, b June 7, 1898, 4140 W. Madison St., Chicago.

William Edgar Lea (B'), born Aug. 25, 1880, married June 14, 1899, Gertrude Swinwood, born Sept. 2, 1880, New Castle, England. Issue:

a' Velma Mae Lea, b April 15, 1900. Lula, Miss.

b' Thomas Edgar Lea, b April 18, 1902. No. 1400 East 53rd. St., Chicago.

c' Lena Mildred Lea, b April 20, 1905, m James Roller Scribner, Feb. 11, 1925. Amory Miss. Issue: Sarah Nell Scribner, born March 25, 1926.

d' Edith Nell Lea, b July 11, 1914.

Iverson Green Lea (5'), born Oct. 30, 1855, Liberty Miss, married first, Perla Swearingen, Jan. 8, 1879, born Oct. 26, 1857, married second, Elizabeth White, Sept. 10, 1913. Issue by first marriage:

A' Van Swearingen Lea, b March 5, 1880, d 1881, Liberty, Miss.

B' Rachel Annie Lea, b June 30, 1883, m Rev. J. R. Johnston, Sept 1, 1912. D'Le, Miss. No issue.

c' Ella Anderson Lea, b Nov. 22, 1886, m James Samuel Bennett, Dec. 18, 1906. Address, 1434 S. Driver St., Memphis, Tenn. Issue: Lenera Claire Bennett, b Sept. 29 1907; Majorie Pearl Bennett, b May 10, 1910; James Swearingen Bennett, b Jan. 3, 1913; Ella Lea Bennett, b Sept. 3, 1914; Jean Edward Bennett, b Sept. 29, 1916; Donald Bennett, b July 28, 1918.

D' Carey Lea, b Sept. 27, 1888, d Oct. 17, 1892.

E' Stella Lea, b Jan. 24, 1890, m David Morgan Williams, May 1, 1918. Address, 714 E. Elm St., Eldorado Ark. Issue: David Mor-

1911; Pearl Ann Williams, b
Oct. 31, 1924.

F' Iverson Norris Lea, b Sept. 20,
1897, died at age of five weeks.

Mary Emma Lea (7'), born Nov. 9,
1858, Liberty Miss married Rev. Robt.
N. Hall, Dec. 2, 1885, died Oct. 2, 1894,
Woodlawn, Harrison Co. Texas. Issue:

A' Rosa Hall, b Dec. 29, 1889, m
Louis Clark Brown, Jan. 19, 1907,
born March 10, 1886, druggist,
Rosedale, Miss. Issue: Rosa Lee
Brown, b Feb. 2, 1908; Maurine
Brown, b July 20, 1910.

B' Fay Hall, b March 14, 1891, d
April 17, 1926, m Franklin How-
ard Butler, McComb, Miss. Issue:
Howard Lea Butler, b 1916; Mc-
Dowell Butler; Franklin Hall
Butler, b July 4, 1923.

C' Robert N. Hall, b Feb. 17, 1893.
Address, San Francisco, Calif.

James Everett Lea (h), born July
28, 1819, Amite Co. Miss. died April
25, 1878, married Frances Powell, sis-
ter to Rachael Powell Lea, Jan. 15,
1846, born Aug. 22, 1827, d Feb. 12,
1886, Amite, Co. Miss.

From resolution adopted by Grange
No. 31 P. of H., Amite Co. Miss. we
take the following:

"Whereas the messenger of death
has again visited our midst and we are
called to mourn the loss of our highly
esteemed citizen and much beloved
Brother, James Everett Lea, who de-
parted this life on the 25th, ult., in
the 59th year of his age, and it is
with melancholy satisfaction, and un-
der a sacred sense of duty, that we
beg to lay a simple tribute on his
grave, to aid in honoring the memory
of one who was among the first in our
county to advocate the cause of the
Patrons of Husbandry, and who pos-
sessed so many shining virtues that
his life should be exemplified and his
memory fondly cherished, Therefore:

"Resolved, That in the death of
Brother Lea, a member of Sylvan
Grange, and for several years a dele-
gate to this county Grange, our Or-
der has lost one of its most zealous
and prominent supporters, one who
placed faith in God, nurtured hope,
dispensed charity, and was noted for
his fidelity, while the church and so-
ciety have lost a true christian, an
honest and useful citizen, and a pure

his household can appreciate his mer-
it in this respect. Much of his life
was spent in adding to the comforts
and attractions of his home, for here
was the center of his purest happiness
where the music of his heart swelled
its notes in one perpetual anthem of
good-will. Unassuming in his man-
ners, cheerful in disposition, liberal
in his opinions, just in his dealings,
sincere in his attachments, manly and
generous towards all, he made many
warm friends, who, with a numerous
and devoted connection deeply mourn
his loss. It is a relief to know, how-
ever, that before his death he became
perfectly resigned to his fate, believ-
ed his sins were all forgiven, and died
in the triumphant hope of a glorious
immortality. Let his fond wife and
children, and others near and dear to
him, to whom we extend our warmest
sympathy, be consoled by this and
confidently hope that

"His pure thoughts were borne,
Like fumes of incense o'er the
clouds,
And wafted thence on angels' wings
through ways
Of light to the bright Source of
All."

Issue:

1' Emily Jane Lea.

2' Dewitt Clinton Lea.

3' Mary Virginia Lea.

4' Rosa Frances Lea, b March 5,
1853, d Aug. 26, 1924, married
Rev. Aaron John Miller, Dec. 24,
1879, born Nov. 12, 1847, died
March 11, 1912. No issue.

5' Charles Clay Lea.

6' Ella Louisa Lea.

7' James Everett Lea.

8' Julia E. Lea.

9' Myrtis Leona Lea, b Sept. 16,
1867, d May 21, 1909, El Paso,
Texas, married Rev. Robert W.
Merrill, b Sept. 13, 1860. Issue:
Robert Winfred Merrill, b Dec.
24, 1889, m Sept. 3, 1922, Leah
Buster, address, 910 Chester St.
Dallas, Texas; Lea Warren Mer-
rill, b Sept. 3, 1891, m Luelah
Williams, June 1, 1916. Address,
1065 Peralta Ave., Berkeley, Cal;
Herbert Vassar Merrill, born
July 21, 1893, died December 20,
1893; Arthur Kenneth Merrill, b
Dec. 25, 1894, m Margaret Corco-

ran, June 10, 1925. Address Philadelphia; Mildred Young Merrill, b Jan. 17, 1897, m John W. Blake Sept. 1914. Address, Putnam, Texas; Edward Everett Merrill, b Oct. 10, 1900. Residence, 130 W. 12th St., Dallas, Texas; Myrtis Leona Merrill, b Aug. 4, 1903. Residence, Kerrville, Texas.

Emily Jane Lea (1'), born Jan. 15, 1847, Amite Co. Miss. died Dec. 6, 1918, McComb, Miss. married Charles Henry Otken, born Feb. 26, 1839, New Orleans, La. died Feb. 12, 1911, McComb, Miss. He was Principal Peabody Public School, Summit, Miss., 1867-77, President and founder Lea Female College, Summit, Miss. 1877-94, President McComb Female Institute, McComb, Miss. 1894-99, County Superintendent Education, Pike Co., Mississippi, to 2-12-1911.

A Tribute.

From "The Life And Character Of Charles Henry Otken," by Henry P. Hughes we take the following.

"On Sunday morning, February 12, 1911, at his home in McComb Mississippi, after a brief illness, Dr. Charles Henry Otken, distinguished as soldier, educator, minister and writer, answered the last roll call. He has passed "over the river to rest under the shade of the trees."

"Dr Otken was born in the Parish of Orleans, Louisiana, February 26, 1839. At the age of six he lost his mother, a woman of rare intellect and great force of character. The home being broken up, the boy was placed in charge of his uncle at Carrollton, where he attended school until he reached his eleventh year, when he entered a store as clerk, where he remained for five years. At the age of sixteen he was converted under the influence of Rev. Mr. Duncan, a Baptist minister, and on his suggestion soon after enrolled as a student in Mississippi College at Clinton, Miss. While in his junior year, the Civil War broke out; answering the call of patriotism, he entered the army as a private soldier. After two years of active service, while stationed at Mobile, Ala. he was ordained as a minister in the Baptist Church. During the remainder of the war he served as Chaplain of one of the regiments commanded by General M. P. Lowrey, father of Dr. W. T. Lowrey, now President of Mississippi College.

"At the close of the war, Dr. Otken located at Liberty Miss., at that time one of the most promising towns in the state. Here he was pastor of the church and teacher of the village school—at that time it not being considered the proper thing for a minister to accept money for his services.

"Moving to Summit, Miss., Dr. Otken became the intimate friend and associate of such well known men as Colonel Garland, Colonel T. R. Stockdale, and Judge Hiram Cassedy. Here in 1866, two years before the organization of the common school system, he opened the Peabody Public School, the first beneficiary in the state of the Peabody Fund.

"Recognizing the need for higher education, in 1877 Dr. Otken founded the Lea Female College, which for a number of years was a prominent institution, supplying a majority of the teachers for this portion of the state.

"In 1895 Dr Otken was chosen the first President of the McComb Female Institute, a newly organized, non-sectarian institution of McComb Miss.

"In 1903 he was elected Superintendent of Education for Pike County, Mississippi, which position he so ably filled up to the very day of his death.

"The doctor was a valuable contributor to the press. In 1895 he was awarded second honors by the Times Democrat, of New Orleans, for a thesis on "The Agricultural Crisis in the South." There were ninety-three contestants from ten Southern States, the first prize being won by Dr. Walter Maxwell, a Ph. D. of the University, of Zurich, and an A. M. of Harvard. In 1894 Dr. Otken published his most portentous work, "The Ills of the South," being a critical analysis of the operation of the Lien Law, based on personal observation. In recognition of its merit the author was invited to address an assemblage of scholars in Ottawa, Canada.

"Upon the resignation of Hon. Thos Gathwright, State Superintendent of Education, the position was tendered Dr. Otken by Governor Stone, but he chose rather to serve his own people than to yield to the allurements of political life. For a number of years he was trustee of the University of Mississippi, and of Mississippi College. He was twice honored by his Alma Mater, receiving the A. M. and

Ph. D. as honorary degrees. He was the first Vice-President of the first Mississippi Teachers' Association.

"As a minister Dr. Otken was widely known and highly esteemed. He declined numerous calls from leading churches, among them being the First Baptist Church of New Orleans. On invitation of Col. McComb, the founder of the town, he delivered in the rail road roundhouse the first sermon ever preached in McComb Miss.

"Possibly Dr. Otken's greatest effort was in behalf of prohibition. While President of Lea Female College, he secured the passage of an Act by the Legislature, forbidding the sale of liquor within five miles of the town of Summit, Miss. This was the first restriction placed upon the sale of liquor in the state. However, it was but the beginning of the battle which Dr. Otken waged with unrelenting vigor till statutory prohibition became an accomplished fact.

"Dr. Otken was buried from the First Baptist Church in McComb, the service being conducted by Rev. Theo Whitfield, ably assisted by Dr W. T. Lowrey, President of Mississippi College, whose touching address will long linger in the minds of his hearers. The body was laid to rest with Masonic ceremony in the cemetery at Summit, where a large number of friends representing three generations, were assembled to pay their last tribute of respect.

"We of this day cannot realize the condition of affairs when Dr. Otken began his labors in the pine hills of South Mississippi. The ship of state had been swept from her mooring, social and political institutions were wrecked, the doors of the University were closed, the system of free schools was not yet established. Colleges and Universities may shape the opinions and mould the sentiment of men, but here was a people standing in the dark shadow of destiny, whose thoughts and actions must be given immediate direction. A new civilization adapted to new conditions must be built upon the ruins of the old; facts not theories must engage attention.

"Again Dr. Otken answered his country's call; quiet and unassuming, with brilliant intellect, and broad perspective, with unflinching courage and unfaltering devotion, he gave of all gifts the most priceless—not money,

but himself. Thru the press, from the pulpit, and on the rostrum, a true Gamaliel that he was, he proclaimed the gospel of humanity to a bewildered people, filled their hearts with a new hope and pointed them to higher ideals and nobler purposes.

"For more than forty years the intellect and the genius which dared in public print to match the philosophy of Zurich and the logic of Harvard expended itself in behalf of the people of his community.

"His labors were not in vain. Thruout the commonwealth of Mississippi, teachers, lawyers, statesmen, yeomen, all, proudly bear his mark; while a purer, nobler motherhood softly sings his praise in the ear of a rising generation.

"The real measure of a man's greatness is the service and sacrifice he has rendered in humanity's cause; with this as a standard, we solemnly declare there is none more worthy than Charles Henry Otken. He was true; true to his God that he worshipped, true to his country that he loved, and true to his fellowman, whom he served."

A Tribute.

"On Friday morning, December 6th, 1918, the gentle, noble spirit of Mrs. Emily J. Lea Otken entered into its Eternal rest.

It was a beautiful and tranquil life which ended in the early dawn of Friday morning. A life not full of shining deeds, but one from which emanated gentleness, patience and sweet unselfishness. The usefulness of her life was measured by the happiness she scattered along her pathway, and the pure example her life impressed. Noble in the gentle purposes of her sex, refined in thought and pure in its expression, this was a life which typified in its even course the sweet and tender mission of a woman—to minister, to cheer, to elevate and to point the way by good deeds and a triumphant faith, to heaven.

Like a weaver's shuttle have slipped by the years which made up her earthly pilgrimage, and yet, each day was filled with deeds of kindness and acts of love that shall live when we have passed away. For after all it is the life we live that counts for most. No grandeur of eloquence or beauty of thought can paint with words that which in life is truest and



best, for life is the index of actions that speak louder than words, and eloquence loses its charm when we attempt to portray the elements of such a character as hers. Such souls do not die. The tenement of clay enveloping the spark of life may lie cold and still in death, but that which made her a noble, useful woman and her life a benediction and a blessing to mankind, will live on forever.

Her life was the embodiment of the highest virtues of true womanhood—Consecrated, pure and true—none knew her but to love her. Unselfish and loyal, hers was a life of service, and thus throughout Life's Day, she lived and wrought among us, until at eventide she heard the chimes of Eternal Peace and her gentle spirit passed into the realms of everlasting life.

By loving friends, the sleeping form was borne to Summit, Miss., and her mortal body was laid to rest close beside the loved ones who had gone before, beneath a mound of fragrant flowers, loving tributes from devoted friends and sorrowing relatives, but her soul on bright wings of Promise has entered the Heavenly portals and awaits us Over There."

Their children are:

- A' Mary Frances Otken, m Rev. Benjamin Franklin Lewis, address, 320 Alexander Ave., Jackson, Miss. Issue: Benjamin Franklin Lewis, died 1895; Evelyn Lewis; Robert Leroy Lewis; married Mary Rite; Arthur Beverly Lewis
- B' Katie Henrietta Otken, d June 2, 1892,, Summit, Miss.

A Tribute.

"Like a clap of thunder from a clear sky, death has suddenly stricken down one of the noblest, purest beings in our midst, as you have seen the storm uproot the straightest, most beautiful tree of the forest. The sunny head that the mother so loved is resting beneath the green sod; the scintillating brain that compelled all to admire who felt its power will nevermore be restless or disturbed; the heart that knew no selfishness, but beat for others only, is still forever, but the name of Katie H. Otken is not dead, and futurity cannot lay it under the dust, for it is linked with her life and influence, and the good she did is eternal.

"The vacancy she left must remain.

None can fill it, and it must ever remind us of the work of her hands and heart. She lived for home, for humanity and for God. If, in future years, mothers point their daughters back to her life and tell them there was one who did her every duty faithfully—one who, in the purity of her nature, would not consent to lower tone of true womanhood by countenancing anything that was trivial, low or base—one who never uttered weak or careless sentiments, but one whose language showed a bright pure mind; and if the girls of the coming years shall, by the inspiration of her name, live true, womanly and useful lives, can we not say that her life has accomplished glorious results?

It is hardly needful for me to repeat the history of her life it is too well known.

She was educated in her father's school, Lea Female College, where she has been teaching since her graduation. She was converted and united with the Baptist church, in Summit, at the age of sixteen. She died June 2, 1892.

These are the bare records, but those who knew her can read much between the lines—much that tells of her love for God, for her fellow-man, for her State and her love and anxiety for Summit.

She, no doubt, found misplaced sharps and flats in musical exercises, and, perhaps, some sharps may have jarred upon her life, and some flats may have disappointed or wearied her but now she has found that perfect music with no discord, whose pure notes shall resound through all the spaces of eternity on harps touched by angel hands, for she knew the Lord and loved the Son of God, and she now joins in the symphonies of praise that roll and reverberate around the great White Throne.

Her life speaks this to you, girls of Summit, and of Mississippi: Make your kindred happier, make the world better, guard your speech at all times and live each day as if it were your last.

We miss the bright star that has set to rise no more, and we search the Heavens in vain for its counterpart, but we find nothing there save clouds now, for we are passing under the rod. But God is merciful, and that rod shall be lifted and we shall meet

her some great day, when human life
and human mysteries shall be no
more.

"Blessed be God, for He created death,
And death is rest and peace,
And giveth life that nevermore shall
Cease."

A FRIEND.

In Memory of Katie H. Otken.

Bring here your fairest flowers, O,
my friends!
And heap them high above this peace-
ful bed,
Fairer than any flower our lovely
dead,
Sweeter than any flower the life which
ends.

Give me a lily for these folded
hands,
Give me a chaplet for this marble
brow;
Give her your full appreciation
now—
Perhaps, in heavenly lands, she un-
derstands!

A sound of mourning comes from
every room.
Twice twenty girls lament their un-
told loss.
Teachers and friends are bowed be-
neath the cross;
The news spreads, the town is filled
with gloom.

A dimpled child once played about
these grounds,
With dancing eyes and tangled flaxen
curls,
She ruled us even then, we little
girls,
Thronged after her in all her merry
rounds.

The years passed by, I saw a woman
bright,
Ruling with gentle sway a host of
girls,
Above that lofty brow her baby
curls
Still rested like a diadem of light.

Her voice was grand! It was both soft
and deep.
She could command, and she could
gently woo:
Her noble accent thrilled me through
and through
Like some great organ tone suppres-
sed and sweet.

The aloe blooms once in an hundred
years.

Our family tree at last burst into
flower!

But while we gazed thereon, mysteri-
ous power

Chilled the fair flower and dimmed our
gaze with tears.

Are those indeed, the brave who rush
to strife,

And fight with sword, and face the
cannon's breath.

The coward flies into the arms of
death—

The hero grapples with the foes of
life.

No warrior ever bore a braver
heart

Into the very thick of battle
smoke,

Than my dead friend, hers was a
heart of oak,

In life's great strife, she played a
hero's part.

Ye soldiers of the Cross, fight on
'till death,

Nor fear the allied legions which
oppose,

Our fallen comrade conquered all her
foes,

And lived and died triumphant in the
faith.

O, many millioned man! Can all thy
gold

Outweigh one gracious deed of this
brave life.

Is there no high regard for noble
strife,

Can characters like hers be bought
and sold!

A soul like hers is worth a thousand
spheres

Rolled into one, and sown with dia-
monds bright,

Strewed with fair flowers, and bathed
in fadeless light,

Flashing with splendor through
eternal years.

O, lovely friend! I know that thou art
free

From every pain and crowned with
glory bright,

I would not call thee back into the
night,

I only wish that I were there with
thee!

By Maggie Tate Lea.

C' Emily Lea Otken, d 1873, Summit, Miss.

D' Infant son died 1876.

E' Perla Clay Otken.

F' Charles Henry Otken, M. D. Asst. Camp Surgeon, Camp Leach Washington, D. C. World War.

G' Lea Gidiere Otken.

H' Lois Bridgeforth Otken.

I' Frances Powell Otken.

J' Luther Boyce Otken, M. D. Capt Base Hospital 22 Bordeaux, France, World War, m Frances Mae Hodges. Issue Emily Jane Otken, Greenwood, Miss; Mary Frances Otken.

Dewitt Clinton Lea (2'), born Jan. 3, 1849, Amite Co. Miss. died Jan. 20, 1918, Hattiesburg, Miss. m Catherine T. Strickland, on Feb. 29, 1872, died June 27, 1922, Hattiesburg, Miss. Issue:

A' James S. Lea, m Ruby Hosmer. No issue, but an adopted daughter, Rosa Lea.

B' Lila Burton Lea, b 1875, d Dec. 4, 1912, m William R. Easterling. No issue.

C' Samuel C. Lea, m Charlena Tessie Norwood, June 1, 1911, married second, Annie Galvanie, Aug. 10, 1911. Issue by first marriage: Ethlyn Lea. Issue by second marriage: Annette Lea.

D' Laurence M. Lea, unmarried. Hattiesburg, Miss.

E' Emmett W. Lea, d March 30, 1910, m and had issue.

F' Hollis Lea, Jacksonville, Fla.

G' Dewitt Clinton Lea, m April 23, 1923, Hattie Pearl Langford, Hattiesburg, Miss.

H' Ruby Marguerite Lea, m Walter Thomas Herren, Canton, Miss. Mary Virginia Lea (3'), born March 15, 1851, died May 11, 1910, married William Atkinson, born July 1, 1847, Columbia, Miss., died 1909, New Orleans, La. Member Forrest Cavalry War of 1861-65. Issue:

A' Howard Atkinson, died in youth

B' Mary Lea Atkinson, died in youth.

C' William J. Atkinson, m Gertrude Creswell, in 1913, Address, Mobile, Ala.

D' Luther See Atkinson, Los Angeles, Cal.

E' Hilda L. Atkinson, m Charles Carroll Miller, Nov. 1912. Ad-

dress, Meridian, Miss. Issue: 1 son, born 1925.

F' Edward C. Atkinson.

Charles Clay Lea, (5'), born Aug. 19, 1855. died May 23, 1913, Magnolia, Miss., married Jan. 29, 1884, Laura Lee Hanes. Issue:

A' Thomas J. Hanes Lea, m Oct. 2, 1913, Mrs. Ethel Losey, Bogalusa, La.

B' Charles Clay Lea.

C' Lois Lea.

D' Alice Lea, m Robert Hardison, Birmingham, Ala., July 21, 1920.

E' Florence Lea' m Robert H. Russell Aug. 29, 1919, Holyoke, Mass. Issue: Dorothy Lea Russell, born Aug. 1920; Jean Florence Russell, born Jan. 2, 1925.

F' Hampton Lea, Magnolia, Miss. Ella Louisa Lea (6'), born April 27, 1858, married S. B. Webb. Address Osyka, Miss. Issue:

A' Myrtle Webb.

B' Herbert Webb, m Harritt Brigham, Sept. 19, 1917. Issue: Josephine Webb; William Brigham Webb.

C' Julia Webb.

D' Hollis Webb, m Susie Varnado, Magnolia, Miss. Issue: Sue Evelyn Webb.

E' Loyette Lucile Webb.

F' Allie Webb.

James Everett Lea (7'), born Jan. 16, 1861, married Maggie Tate, Jan. 2, 1887, born 1867, died April 22, 1893. Married second, Elizabeth Westmoreland, Clarksdale, Miss. Issue:

A' James Everett Lea, Washington, D. C.

B' Myrtis Lea, m Dr. Benjamin Lampton Crawford, Dec. 29, 1909, Tylertown, Miss. Issue: Dorothy Lea Crawford; Walter W. Crawford; Benjamin Lampton Crawford; Everett Howell Crawford.

C' Alma Clay Lea, m Albert McCrary, Jan. 1, 1913, Philadelphia, Tenn. Issue: Hannah Margaret McCrary, b Dec. 9, 1919.

D' Maggie Lea, b April 4, 1893, d Jan. 20, 1895. Issue by second marriage.

E' Mary Atkinson Lea, m John J. Duke, June 2, 1917, address, Memphis, Tenn. Issue: Mary Lea Duke.

Jula E. Lea (8'), b Dec. 6, 1863, m Sidney C. Lenoir, Greenwood, Miss., M. D. Issue:

A' Sidney C. Lenoir— Residence, Memphis, Tenn.

B' Lucille Loyette Lenoir, m Aug. 23, 1924, Mayon Lively Berry, of Crockett, Tenn. Issue: Beth Berry.

C' Alton Lenoir.

Iverson Green Lea (i), born Aug. 16, 1822, died April 16, 1864, married Lemanda Elizabeth Martin, born Mch. 3, 1833, died Oct. 26, 1901. After the death of I. G. Lea, Lemanda E. Lea, married James N. Little. Issue:

1' Warren Eugene Lea, b Sept. 19, 1855, m Jan. 1, 1879, Lucy McKnight, b April 1, 1861, d July 8, 1900. Married sec., Rosa Cockerham, April 24, 1901. Address, McComb, Miss. Issue: Pigot Hamilton Lea, b Dec. 10, 1879, m Annie Allen, 1037 S. 31st St., Birmingham, Ala; Curtis Byron Lea, b Dec. 24, 1881, m Myrtis Newman, Hattiesburg, Miss; Myrtis Alma Lea, b April 28, 1884; Nancy Amanda Lea, b Dec. 31, 1885, d May 31, 1904; Grover Cleveland Lea, b April 5, 1888, d Sept. 22, 1900; Mamy Florence Lea, b Dec. 19, 1890, m Needham Yarbrough, Dec. 12, 1914; Julia Lea, m Clyde E. Smith, Aug. 21, 1921, address, Franklinton, La; Iverson Green Lea; Luther Lea; Warren Eugene Lea.

2' Sallie Lucinda Lea.

3' Erastus Clay Lea.

4' Lou Ella Graves Lea, b May 27, 1861, d March 20, 1919, unmarried Sallie Lucinda Lea (2'), was born Aug. 1, 1857, married W. G. Cockerham, Dec. 25, 1878. Issue:

A' Howard Lea Cockerham, b 1881 m Evelyn Spinks. Address, Gunnison, Miss. Issue: Howard Lea Cockerham; Odessa Cockerham; Doris Cockerham; Frances Cockerham; Evelyn Cockerham.

B' Maude Elizabeth Cockerham, b 1883, m Forest White. Issue: Wexler White; Davis White; Sidney White; Edwin White; Cecil White; Raymond White.

C' James Ellison Cockerham, b Feb. 2, 1886, m Freddie Pell. Issue: Katherine Cockerham, New Orleans, La.

D' Iverson Grady Cockerham, b Dec. 14, 1890, d Oct. 11, 1922, unmarried.

E' Mable Alma Cockerham, b Dec. 29, 1892, m Howard Brashers. Issue: Oattie Lea Brashers, Gunnison, Miss; Clara Brashers; Howard Brashers.

Erastus Clay Lea (3'), was born May 17, 1859, married Ludie Powell, Nov. 11, 1880, born April 15, 1860, d March 1, 1882. Married second, Willie Davis, Nov. 14, 1887, born May 31, 1861, died May 17, 1916. Married third, Mrs. Dora Sandifer, Jan. 21, 1917. Issue by third marriage:

A' Erastus Clay Lea, b Dec. 18, 1917, Osyka, Miss.

B' Norma E. Lea, b Aug. 11, 1919, Osyka, Miss.

(By the Editor)

This chapter would not be complete without mention of Matthew Clay who was a son of Charles Clay and Martha Green Clay, and is identified as (H) in his line.

MATTHEW CLAY (5th Line 3H) CHAPTER 2.

Matthew Clay, son of Charles Clay and Martha Green, is said to have had a splendid personality. His eyes and hair were dark. He married a Miss Williams first, and second a Widow Saunders. His children, all by his first wife, were:

a. Mary Clay, lost her life in the destruction of the Richmond Theatre by fire in 1811.

b. Amanda Clay, was an invalid, but m George P. Kezee, said to have been a man of great sagacity.

c. Joseph Clay.

d. Matthew Clay.

Joseph Clay (c) did not resemble his father, having blue eyes and light hair. He married Margaret Bowen in East Tennessee.

She was living as late as 1887. Children were:

1' Amanda Clay, m Norman Cherie and had two children who died unmarried.

2' Clement C. Clay, m the only daughter of Rev. Phillip Tuggle. He moved to California where he became quite wealthy. He had two children in 1887. Was Major in Civil War and had two children who died in infancy.

Matthew Clay (d) moved to Madison county, Alabama, in 1816. A few years later he moved to Lawrence county, Ala., where he built a double pen log house. He married Frances A. Saunders. Their children were:

1' Thomas F. Clay.

2' Matthew Clay.

Thomas F. Clay (1') was born in Memphis, Tenn.



1825, died 1856. His wife was Miss Caledonia Anne Oliver, and was a daughter of John Oliver, who married Ruth Ann Weedon. Children were:

A' Alice Clay, who m Wheeler Watson.

B' John Oliver Clay, m Fannie Wilson Lawler 1884.

C' Fannie Lou Clay, m Henry D. Watson in 1881.

D' Child who died in infancy.

Matthew Clay III, (2') second son of matthew Clay and Frances A. Clay, was born February, 1827. He married Mary Harrison, daughter of Isham Harrison.

CHAPTER IV.

David Clay 5th line 1Aa.

David Clay, who is identified as 1Aa in Chapter II, after acting as guide as recounted in affidavit of Hutchinson, soon entered the War of the Revolution. North Carolina was hard pressed by the British and called on Virginia for aid. David Clay had several relatives in the Old North State and was one of the many native Virginians who responded to the distress call of their sister state. He enlisted in Evan's Company, 10th Regiment, N. C. Line (Col. Abraham Shepard, Capts. Hall and Kornegay. Hathaway's Register-Vol. 11, No. 4, page 580, also Colonial Records of North Carolina, Vol. 15, page 1038.)

His widow applied for and received a pension. After the close of the Revolution, David Clay came to Georgia where he drew land as follows: 1786, 200 acres in Washington County, Georgia, Book KKK, page 384; 1794, 196 acres in Washington County, Georgia, Book LLLL, page 593; Office Secretary of State, Atlanta, Georgia.

September 26, 1792, he was married to Eve Harden in Warren County, Georgia. (See Harden Hints and Genealogies.) He later acquired land in Wilkinson County, Georgia, but retained a plantation in each county until his death and spent a portion of his time on each plantation. He was an industrious, thorough-going man and accumulated considerable property before his death, which occurred in Wilkinson County, Georgia, about 1818. He was buried at the Passmore Cemetery which lies between the place where Mrs. Susie Gilbert lived, 1925, and the Peyton Clay cemetery. The

only other people buried in this cemetery are said to have been Passmore and his seven wives. Children of David Clay and Eve Harden Clay were:

1' Lewis Clay

2' Adam Clay

3' Pearce Clay

4' Sarah Clay

5' Robert Clay

6' Peyton Clay

7' Edmund B. Clay

8' Mahany Clay

Tradition says that two of the above were twins and I am under the impression that they were Pearce and Robert, but am not sure.

Lewis Clay's Line of Descent 5th Line 1Aa1'.

Lewis Clay, No. 1' above, was either the oldest or next to the oldest of the children. He is not mentioned in the Pension Record of Eve Clay, for the reason that he opposed her application for pension on the ground that she had remarried, and was not entitled to a pension. Notes of Beheathland Clay Rigsby are as follows:

"Judith Clay died September 24, 1872, Lewis Clay, December 24, 1874. Lewis Clay was eighty years old, Judith Clay was 74. My grandfather was David Clay. He had a plantation in Washington County (Ga.) and one in Wilkinson County (Ga.) He was one eyed, one eye having been put out by the Tories. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He married Eve Harden. After Grandfather's death, she married a man, I think, by the name of Pearson, but am not sure. That kept her from getting a pension which she was often talking about and trying to get." (She evidently never knew that Her grandmother, Eve, secured her pension.)

"My grandfather had a brother. I don't know his name. He had a son Pearce who lived in Washington County." (She evidently meant her great-grandfather.)

"There were two Clays who came from England, they have descended from them. I am not certain about their names. It seems their names were John and Lewis, but not certain."

"They lived ten miles South of Milledgeville. Their farms were between Commissioner's Creek and Oconee

River. I have been in the house that my mother was married in. It was a large log house. They were wealthy."

The public records of Washington County and Wilkinson County have long since been destroyed by fire, as well as the old family Bibles of many members of the Clay family, and with but few exceptions we must rely on tradition. For this reason, I will elaborate to some extent upon Lewis Clay, so as to establish the probative value of the traditions coming down through him and his daughter as preserved in her notes.

He was probably born in Washington County, Georgia, 1783 or 1784. His father in the next few years moved with him to Wilkinson County, Georgia, from territory adjacent to Buffalo Creek to that adjacent to Commissioners Creek on opposite sides of the Oconee River. Here he grew up and received a common school education. (I now have in my possession a partial set of accounts kept by him at Dawson, Georgia, before and during the Civil War.) He was living near Milledgeville, in 1818, which was then the Capitol of Georgia, when Early, Irwin and Appling Counties were opened for settlement and secured a position with surveyors and helped to survey the Counties and Lots. Upon one occasion the party of surveyors were encamped on a ridge between a lake or lagoon and a stream of water. During the night while they were asleep an alligator passing from one body of water to the other, ran over the face of one of the party and gave him such a fright that he sat up all the rest of the night.

His surveying over, he returned to Wilkinson County, Georgia, where he married Judith Jones, December 20, 1820. The Rev. James Clay performing the ceremony. (See Jones Genealogies.)

Lewis Clay lived in Wilkinson County until his oldest child had married and his youngest child was born. While there the Legislature of the State named him and his brother-in-law, James M. Hatcher, together with Ratliff Brown, John Meredith and Daniel Price, trustees of Liberty Hill Academy. (Georgia Laws 1836, page 10.)

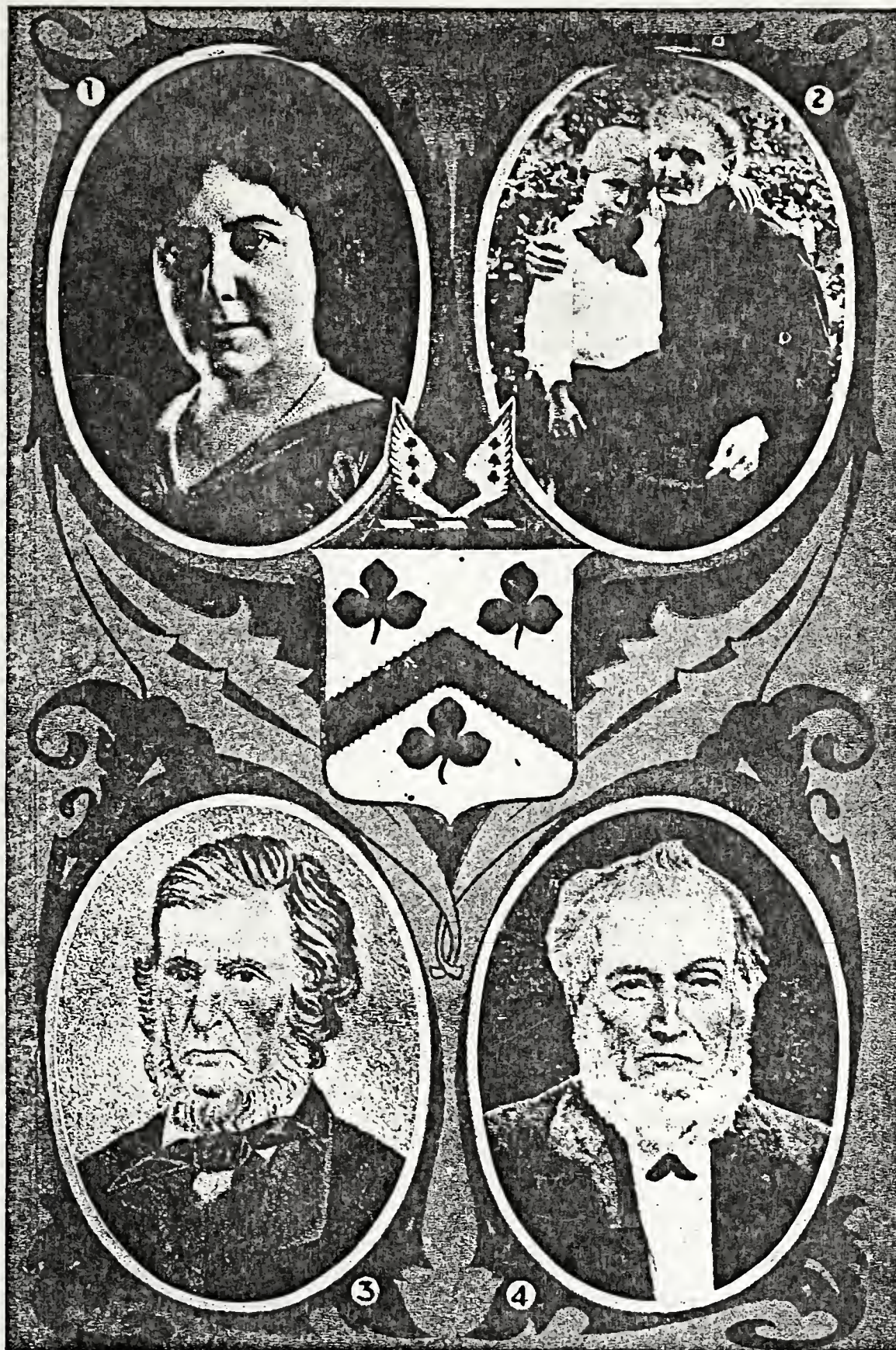
While living in Wilkinson County he owned a large herd of cattle that

ranged in the Oconee River Valley, except for a few winter months. It was Lewis Clay's custom to keep these cows gentle by feeding them salt at stated intervals, placing the salt on a "lick log" and calling the cows "Co wench, Co wench, salt, salt, salt!" The cows, hearing the call, would come for the salt. Reeves, a neighbor, was plowing one day when Clay began calling cows in the river bottom. Of magnificent physique and powerful voice, the call "Co wench, co wench, co wench, salt, salt, salt!" heard by Reeves in the distance became "Oh Reeves, Oh Reeves, Oh Reeves, help, help, help!" Reeves dropped his plow and dashed to the call, stopping at intervals to listen when the cry for help became more distinct, and urgent, it appeared to him at each stop, until he came to the hill dipping down to the river. Here he stopped, almost exhausted to get his final directions. He then recognized the voice and call, and used the expression that has become tradition in the Clay family, because of its originality and because it illustrates the power of the Clay voice, "Goddurn Lewis Clay, Hell ought to have him for a blowing horn."

While a resident of Wilkinson County he accommodated a friend by endorsing a note for several thousand dollars, which he had to pay, and as a result of this he became financially embarrassed.

Remembering now, the country which he had assisted in surveying, and hearing glowing accounts of its fertility, he moved from Wilkinson County to near Americus, Georgia, where he lived only a short time before selecting a choice tract of land in Lee County (Now Terrell County) which he purchased and moved to it, soon clearing and settling a splendid farm. Here he and his wife became active in their religious efforts. They belonged to the Missionary Baptist Church, while most of the other residents were of the Primitive or Hard-shell branch of the denomination. They soon gathered around them a few people of their belief and with the help of their children and their neighbor's children, started a Sabbath School.

The Legislature soon created Terrell County, and out of this beginning came the first Missionary Baptist Church constituted in Terrell County. So much opposition developed against



1. Mrs. Sidney J. Jones

3 Col. Henry Clay, Sr. (Ky.)

Clay Crest and Arms, Centre.

2. Mrs. Beheathland Clay Rigsby and
Grandson Lewis Wilton Rigsby.

4 Lewis Clay.

the new church, which was called in derision, Clay's Church, that eventually after the material had been hauled to build the church (the church having been constituted under a brush arbor) that some one set fire to it and burned the lumber. They persisted, however, and the church was finally built. After the railroad came and Dawson grew up, the church was moved there and is now the First Baptist Church of Dawson.

Lewis Clay lived in Dawson until the Civil War, when he moved to Decatur County, Georgia, where he lived for only a few years, moving again to Thomas County, Georgia, where he lived for only about one year. This last year of his life is important from our view point. He lived about six miles north of Cairo, on the place now known as the Bennett Place and on the east side of Little Tired Creek. No sign of the settlement now exists. He cultivated a farm at this place in the eightieth year of his life. Warren Clay, then a widower with one child, lived on the place and helped with the farm. Milly Hester, nee Clay, a widow with several children and her mother Sallie Clay, nee Griffin, widow of John Clay, a son of Pearce Clay of Washington County, cooked and kept house for him. He was living on this place when taken with his last illness and Warren Clay brought him to my father's where he died. Milly Hester is the only one now living of those mentioned and she is nearly a hundred years old. I have consulted her frequently and she says that her father and Lewis Clay were cousins. Children of Lewis Clay and Judith Jones Clay were:

- A' Lucy Clay Etheridge
- B' Hardin Clay
- C' Sarah Frances Clay Wadsworth
- D' John Benjamin Clay
- E' Lucius Augustus Clay
- F' Peyton Clay
- G' Ella Fair Clay Kilpatrick
- H' Beheathland Luvinia Clay Rigsby

Lucy Clay Etheridge 5th line 1Aa1'A'

Lucy Clay, A' above, married Harrison F. Etheridge, March 12, 1839, in Wilkinson County, Georgia, the marriage ceremony having been performed by James M. Hatcher, J. P.. Children were:

- a' Rebecca Collier, who was twice married, first to James M. Kilpatrick, second to Bishop. A

great-granddaughter, Agnes Rebecca Bishop, married her cousin, Thomas Henry Clay, son of John Benjamin Clay, above.

- b' Lucy Carolyn, b Oct. 7, 1844.
- c' Joel H. b June 6, 1846.
- d' James Lewis, b Nov. 30, 1847.
- e' Milly Judie, b Aug. 12, 1848.
- f' Shelley F. b Jan. 24, 1855.
- g' Robert T. b June 30, 1856.
- h' Martha E. b July 7, 1857.
- i' Nicy C. b Nov. 13, 1858.
- j' Edmund A. b May 30, 1859.

Edmund A. Etheridge, j' above, married Ella Nora Asberry Morgan, daughter of Asberry Morgan and his wife, Anna B. (Brown) Morgan and to them were born children as follows:

- 1" Anna Clay Etheridge, married a Houston and lives at Damascus, Ga.
- 2" Ruby Etheridge, married a Walker and lives at Elmodel, Ga.
- 3" Wheeler A. Etheridge, P. O. Hicox, Ga.
- 4" Cecil M. Etheridge, P. O. Center Hill, Fla.
- 5" Eula A. Etheridge, married Hammill, dead, son Herschell, P. O. Milford, Ga.
- 6" Leila Etheridge, married Wallace Boon Griffin, June 14, 1908, in Baker County, Georgia, the Rev. L. L. Lyons performing the ceremony. Mrs. Griffin and Mrs. Clay have supplied me with the above information. Mrs. Griffin's children are:
- A" Grace Ione, b June 2, 1909.
- B" Cordelia, b March 7, 1912.
- C" Edmond Wallace, b Nov. 1916.
- D" Rubye Abbiegail, b Aug. 3, 1920.

Hardin Clay, B' above, married Lucy Haden, moved to Arkansas before the Civil War. Was a soldier in the Confederate army, was captured and died in a hospital at Little Rock. Children:

- a' Edmond Clay
- b' Melissa Clay
- c' Martha Clay
- d' Robert Clay
- e' James Clay
- f' John Clay
- g' Teresa Clay

Some of the children went to Texas. I have given notice through Arkansas papers, but failed to locate any member of the family.

Sarah Frances Clay (called Frankie) born Nov. 22, 1828, in Wil-



Johnson County, Georgia, married William Hiram Wadsworth, but date of marriage unknown. With the exception of my mother she was best known to me of all the members of the family and she was a frequent visitor in our home. Her husband was familiarly known to the people throughout the section where he lived as Uncle Hiram. He was a soldier in the Civil War, serving at St. Marks, Fla. He was a son of Daniel Wadsworth and Lucy (Freeman) Wadsworth, of Bibb County, Georgia, and was of Scotch descent. Daniel Wadsworth was caught in the swindle in connection with the Yazoo fraud, went west and never returned to his family, no one knowing what finally became of him. Other children were: Eli, who was the father of Burton Wadsworth, of Madison County, Florida, long a State Senator and a member of the Constitutional Convention of Florida; Melsh, Scott, Sepp, Joseph, moved to Texas, William died near Macon, leaving children, and Margaret married a Hayes and moved to Cedar Keys, Florida. Children of Sarah Frances Clay Wadsworth and W. H. Wadsworth were:

- a' Lewis Daniel, b July 23, 1847, d in Civil War.
 - b' Francis Marion.
 - c' Salema Luvinia, b Dec. 13, 1850, m first Nelson, second, Wm. Connell, brother of Rebecca who married John H. Wadsworth.
 - d' Judith Lucindy, b April 6, 1853.
 - e' John Hiram Wadsworth.
 - f' William Hardin Wadsworth, m Sallie Kilpatrick, lives at Girard, Ala., wife dead.
 - g' Lucy Ann Beheathland Wadsworth.
 - h' Charles Eliot, b March 21, 1866.
- Francis Marion Wadsworth, b' above was born March 11, 1849, married first, Charity Ferrell, aunt of D. K. Ferrell and daughter of Jabez Ferrell, one of the first jurors of Thomas County Superior Court, and second, Mrs. Susie Carlisle, a widow who is the mother of Ira Carlisle, present State Senator from this District. Children by first marriage:
- 1" Robert Marion Wadsworth, only child, born Nov. 2, 1872, married Mollie Johnson, Oct. 9, 1897. She is dead, her father was named James Johnson and her mother

Rebecca Johnson. Before her marriage she was Rebecca.....
..... "Bob" as everybody calls him, is a Baptist, Mason and Democrat. Children:

- A" Hiram Burton Wadsworth.
- B" James Marion Wadsworth, b July 29, 1900.
- C" Olif Charity Wadsworth Hudson.
- D" J. T. Wadsworth, b Aug. 10, 1903.
- E" R. D. Wadsworth, b Aug. 6, 1906.
- F" B. C. Wadsworth, b March 13, 1908.
- G" Follis Jewell Wadsworth, b Dec. 31, 1910.
- H" Mary Gladis Wadsworth, b Jan. 31, 1912.

Hiram Burton Wadsworth, A" above, born Oct. 4, 1898, Res. 2222 N. W. 5th Ave., Miami, Fla. Married Jan. 28, 1923, Lila Fay Dekle, and to them has been born one child.

- a" Virgil Marion Wadsworth, b July 4, 1924.

Olif Charity Wadsworth, C" above, born March 29, 1902, married Norman T. Hudson April 10, 1919 and to them have been born two children.

- a" James Elwood, b Feb. 17, 1920.
- b" Susie Elaine, b Aug. 22, 1922.

John Hiram Wadsworth, identified as e' above, married Rebecca Connell, who was a daughter of Peter Connell and his wife. A sister married Daniel Ponder and was mother of the Ponders of the Northwestern part of the co. John and wife live at Pelham, Ga., and have children as follows:

- 1" Underwood
- 2" Ammie, deceased.
- 3" William
- 4" Daniel
- 5" Lewis
- 6" Lizzie
- 7" Minnie
- 8" Charlie, who is in newspaper work at Albany, Ga.

Lucy Ann Beheathland Wadsworth, g' above, married D. K. Ferrell and to them have been born children as follows:

- 1' Luther R. Ferrell, res. Pelham, Ga.
- 2' Naomi Ferrell, m R. L. Levar, res. Cairo, Ga.
- 3' Shelton E. Ferrell, m Cora Taylor, who is the daughter of John H. Taylor and his wife, Mrs. Howell Talyor. John H. Taylor

was a son of Rev. John Taylor and his wife Sally (Parker) Taylor who are mentioned on page 16 of the Sketch of the Rigsbys of Georgia, published July 4, 1925.

- 4' Micajah Ferrell, married first Della Gainous and second Lula Barrett. Both of these families are descended from some of the early settlers of Grady County. Lula Barrett, a daughter of James Barrett and his wife Mrs. Mary (McClelland) Barrett.

Just a word here about this Barret family before proceeding. The oldest one of the children, Molly Barrett, married Henry J. Willis and they had numerous children, one of which is B. L. Willis, the present Tax Collector of Grady County. Another, Guy Willis, has charge of the street force and the sanitation work for the City of Cairo. Another, Alfred Willis, married Lilla Ferrell, sister of Micajah Ferrell above.

- 5' Lilla Ferrell, m Alfred Willis.
6' Ithael Ferrell, unmarried.
7' Kedar M. Ferrell, m a Lane.
8' Watson Ferrel, m Essie Tomlinson, a daughter of Rev. A. J. Tomlinson, res. Cairo, Ga.
9' Lucy Ferrell, unmarried.
10' Judson Ferrell, m in Baker County, Ga.

John Benjamin Clay, son of Lewis Clay and Judith Jones Clay, (Identified as D' above) born Dec. 2, 1829, in Wilkinson County, Georgia, was converted and joined the Baptist Church at an early date, and receiving a call to the ministry, spent the last few years of his life in active ministry of the Baptist Church. He was sent by his association as a missionary to the territory further south, where he served during the war and for some time after the war, organizing and constituting churches, being largely instrumental in establishing the Baptist denomination so strongly in this section of the state. He married Feb. 6, 1855, his wife before her marriage was Appy Eliza Bass (b July 20, 1837), who was a daughter of Abel Bass of Randolph County, Georgia, and his wife who before her marriage was Miss Cherrie Pope. The children of this Bass family were named as follows: William Bass, Deacon in the Baptist Church; James Calvin Bass, a Baptist minister; Bennett Bass, Benago Bass, the last two being active

members of the Baptist Church; the girls were named Jane Bass, Jenetty Bass, Matilda Bass, Annie Bass, who married Peyton Clay, and Appy Eliza Bass, above. Children of John Benjamin Clay, above, and his wife were:

- a' Cherrie Annie Clay, m Henry H. Etheridge, Dec. 30, 1875, in Randolph County, Ga. Born May 26, 1856.
b' Endora Fannie Clay
c' Mary Esther Clay
d' Emma Eliza Clay, born Jan. 20, 1861, d Dec. 2, 1889.
e' Samuel Clay, b Nov. 15, 1862, d Dec. 16, 1862.
f' William B. Clay, b Nov. 3, 1863, d Oct. 7, 1884.
g' Laura J. Clay
h' John Bunyan Clay, b Sept. 3, 1867, d Oct. 14, 1868.
i' Joseph S. Clay
j' Thomas Henry Clay
k' Ella Ophelia Clay

Endora Fannie Clay (Identified as b' above) born June 2, 1858, in Calhoun County, Georgia, married Aug. 19, 1890, George Sydney Commander in Terrell County, Georgia. Children:

- 1" Fannie May Commander, b Aug. 25, 1891, married June 22, 1911, J. A. Tooley, one adopted girl, Margaret May.
2" George Otis Commander
3" Nancy Clay Commander, b Aug. 23, 1898, P. O. Graves Station, Georgia, married Jan. 18, 1920, Emmett S. Randall, Dawson, Ga., one child, William Emmett Randall, b Oct. 27, 1920.

Mary Esther Clay (Identified as c' above) b Jan. 2, 1860, Calhoun County, Post Office, Parrot, Ga., married John Thomas Thornton, Randolph County, Georgia, Nov. 1, 1883, children:

- 1" Shelly Clay Thornton, b Sept. 8, 1884, m Miss Alma Watkins, Dawson, Georgia, April 23, 1905, resides 722 S. 20th St. Birmingham, Ala. One child, Jennett Mary Thornton, b Feb. 21, 1908.
2" Lucy Mae Thornton, b Dec. 10, 1890, d Aug. 4, 1891.
3" John Thomas Thornton, Jr., b Feb. 16, 1900, m April 4, 1919 Miss Jimmie Horn, at residence of bride's parents. Resides at Parrott, Ga. Children: J. T. Thornton, Jr., being the third J. T. Thornton in line, b July 31, 1921, and Willie James Thornton, b March 6, 1924.



Laura J. Clay (Identified as g' above) born July 20, 1865, in Decatur County, Georgia, married Jan. 1, 1881 to William L. Miller, in Dawson, Ga., where the family has resided ever since. Children:

- 1" Maud Kathleen Miller, b Nov. 28, 1884, married June 10, 1900, William Franklin Watkins, Terrell County, Ga. Residence 313 Price St., Savannah, Ga. Children: Laura Lucille Watkins, b June 23, 1901; William Alfred, b June 14, 1906, Alma Marie, b Feb. 2, 1904.
- 2" Ufa Lee Miller, b March 24, 1887, married Sept. 16, 1906, Willie Dean Grubbs. Children: William Edward Grubbs, b Aug. 9, 1907, James Wade Grubbs, b March 24, 1909.
- 3" Russia Iva Miller, b May 7, 1889, married June 7, 1908, Steve David Fulford res. Dawson, Ga. Children: Ivey Stephens Fulford, b May 25, 1909, Jim Henry Fulford, b Jan. 2, 1911, William G. Fulford, b Sept. 26, 1913, Annie Laura Fulford, b Oct. 26, 1915, Mary Amanda Fulford, b Oct. 6, 1917, Thomas Ed. Fulford, b July 22, 1920.
- 4" Jim Clay Miller, b April 11, 1892, married Nov. 24, 1912, resides at Dawson, Ga., wife before her marriage Edna Kelley, marriage occurring in Randolph County, Ga. Children: Harry Miller, b July 25, 1917, Anderson Miller, b July 31, 1922.
- 5" Annie Will Miller, b April 20, 1897, married April 25, 1917, Warren Williams McGraw, resides in Dawson, Ga.

Joseph Sidney Clay (Identified as i' above) born April 6, 1871, res. 609 Main St., Dawson, Ga. Dec. 3, 1893 he married Miss Annie Evarts. He was engaged in the plumbing and electrical business until a few years ago when, because of his health he was forced to abandon that business. Children are:

- 1" Zuleita Clay, b Oct. 18, 1894, m W. R. Melton, July 6, 1918. One child, William Robert Melton, b March 23, 1920. Res. Cuthbert, Ga.
- 2" Marvin Cornelius Clay, b June 17, 1905.
- 3" Mary Frances Clay, b Nov. 7, 1908.

4" Clyde Anderson Clay, b April 10, 1913.

5" Joseph Lamar Clay, b Dec. 29, 1901, d May 1, 1902.

Thomas Henry Clay (Identified as k' above) b Jan. 2, 1874, married Agnes Rebecca Bishop, great-granddaughter of Lucy Clay Etheridge, Aug 8, 1897, res. Shellman, Ga., where he operates a plumbing business and is also engaged in farming. Both Thomas Henry and Joseph Sydney are Methodists, although their father was a Baptist minister, brought about I understand, through the neglect of the Baptists towards their father's orphans after his death and the fact that their Methodist friends occupied the position that they had a right to expect their father's church to occupy. Children:

- 1" Howard Bunyan Clay, b Feb. 20, 1904.
 - 2" Thomas Merrell Clay, deceased, Nov. 11, 1908.
 - 3" John Paul Clay, b Oct. 2, 1910.
- Ella Ophelia Clay, (Identified as l' above) b Sept. 26, 1875, m A. C. Howard, July 6, 1897, resides in Madison, Fla. Children:
- 1" Alfred Sidney Howard, b June 3, 1898, m Mary S. Clay, Aug 18, 1918, res. Madison, Fla. Children: Mabel, b May 13, 1919, d May 13, 1919, Robert Alfred, b April 16, 1920, Ray Edwin, b Dec. 16, 1921.
 - 2" Ruth Howard, b July 24, 1905. d March 16, 1912.
 - 3" Thomas Watson Howard, b Nov. 20, 1906.
 - 4" Harry Oliver Howard, b March 12, 1908.
 - 5" Ralph Richard Howard, b Oct. 3, 1909.
 - 6" Phillip Maxwell Howard, b Sept 20, 1912.
 - 7" Norman Gahagan Howard, b Feb. 4, 1914.

Lucius Augustus Clay (Identified as E' above) born in Wilkinson County, Ga., Jan. 22, 1832 served in Civil War, and he was wounded at Gettysburg, married Isabelle M. Stegall and lived near Cairo until his death, which occurred June 17, 1909, he being buried at Long Branch cemetery, third grave north from monument of Adella White. Children:

- A" Elizabeth J. Clay.
- B" Mary L. Clay, b June 17, 1858.
- C" Augustus M. Clay, b Jan. 3,



1862, d July 11, 1871.

D" Robert E. Clay.

E" John Lewis Clay, b Dec. 6, 1867, d April 14, 1887.

F" Alice B. Clay, b June 26, 1869, d July 11, 1871.

G" Martha Frances Clay, b Nov. 25, 1871.

H" Adella Clayton, Clay b July 25 1874, m William White and died without issue.

Elizabeth J. Clay (Identified as A" above) married Benjamin R. Harrison, Jan. 29, 1875, and died Nov. 23, 1912. Her husband still resides on the old homestead near Cairo, one of the largest and finest farms in the county, with his family of children with two exceptions living around him on choice farms of their own. Mr. Harrison is a descendant of one of the first settlers of this section, Benjamin Harrison, who was a soldier in the war of 1812 and from whom Mr. Harrison received his name. He has numerous relatives thruout this section and a very creditable biography of his life is contained in the History of Savannah and South Georgia, by Colonel Harden of Savannah. Children:

a" Martha Harrison, b Oct. 9, 1875, d Dec. 1, 1875.

b" Mary Malinda Harrison.

c" Leona J. Harrison.

d" W. Robert Harrison.

e" Benjamin F. Harrison.

f" Evie E. Harrison.

g" Jackson L. Harrison, b Nov. 27, 1890, d Oct. 24, 1905 as a result of an accident.

h" Gussie Belle Harrison, b April 8, 1894, d Nov. 28, 1894.

i" Eula Jane Harrison.

j" Alexis Smith Harrison, b April 14, 1897, d Sept. 13, 1897.

k" Otis Harrison, b July 28, 1899, d Sept. 22, 1899.

Martha Malinda (Linnie) Harrison, (b" above) born Aug. 22, 1877, Thomas County, Ga., married Seaborn H. Sutton, Dec. 3, 1896, res. Cairo, Ga. Mr. Sutton owns and operates a large farm about three miles from Cairo and is one of the reliable and progressive farmers of Grady county. Children:

1" Mattie Bell, b Dec. 25, 1897, m Arthur Perry Singletary, July 16, 1916. He was a son of Edward Singletary and a brother of

Charley Singletary who married Fannie Clay. His uncle, John R. Singletary, is the present Ordinary of Grady County. Mr. Singletary died July 7, 1921, leaving two children, Horace Wayne, born Jan. 5, 1920, and Myrtle Katyline, b May 20, 1917, d July 26, 1918.

2" Paul H., b Sept. 14, 1899, d May 7, 1900.

3" John Benjamin, b Jan. 5, 1904.

4" Seaborn Augustus, b March 2, 1907.

5" Edna Jane, b Nov. 2, 1911.

Leona J. Harrison (c" above) born March 8, 1880, res. Miami, Fla., married July 5, 1900, Charles William Connally. Children:

1" Ruth Foster Connally, b Sept. 4, 1901, m J. S. Chastain, Oct. 30, 1923.

2" Mary Elizabeth Connally, b Feb. 4, 1904, m Ray Spence Singletary, June 24, 1924.

3" Charlie Roberta Connally, b Sept. 29, 1907.

4" William Clower Connally, b Nov. 17, 1913.

W. Robert Harrison, (d' above) b Dec. 23, 1882, married Brownie Wright May 28, 1915. He is a prosperous farmer living about two miles from Cairo. His wife was a Tennessee girl and prominently related in that state, her sister, Alma, married a brother of W. Robert. Children are: Mabel Harrison, b June 12, 1916 and Robert Leland Harrison, b Oct. 4, 1918.

Benjamin F. Harrison, e" above, b Feb. 24, 1885, married Alma Wright, April 18, 1913. His wife is a sister of the wife of W. R. Harrison. Only one child, Alton Wright, b Sept. 19, 1915. Mr. Harrison is occupying the old homestead with his family and his father lives with him. Mr. Harrison gives promise of keeping alive the progressive spirit of thrift and industry of his father.

Evie E. Harrison, (f" above) b Oct. 26, 1886, married Levy J. Harper, Feb. 3, 1907, and they reside near Mr. Sutton, who married Linnie Harrison. Mr. Harper is a son of Levy Harper, now deceased many years. His mother before her marriage was Miss Missouri West, both the Harper and West families being among the early settlers of what is now Grady County. Mr. Harper is a thrifty, industrious



and prosperous farmer and his home setting back from the road with a native growth of pine in its virgin condition between the house and the highway never fails to attract comment from the passer-by. Children: Paul Herman Harper, b Nov. 14, 1914 and Hazel Virginia, b July 22, 1922.

Eula Jane Harrison, i" above, b Jan. 24, 1896, married Marion A. Barber, Feb. 3, 1918. They now reside in Miami, Fla. Mr. Barber is the second son of the Hon. W. D. Barber, a former representative in the Legislature, from Grady County. No issue.

Robert Edward Clay, D" above, born July 3, 1864, married Sarah Malinda Singletary, daughter of Harry Singletary. Mrs. Clay is now living at Thomasville, Ga. She is descended from one of the earliest settlers and hers is one of the largest connections in Grady County. Mr. Clay died Jan. 28, 1918, and is buried at the Cook Cemetery between Cairo and Pine Park. Children:

a" Florence Madel, b March 27, 1890, m B. C. Blanton, Jan. 30, 1910. Resides in Thomasville, Ga., where Mr. Blanton is engaged in the mercantile business. Children: Leslie Romell Blanton, b Nov. 14, 1910, Daniel Clayton Blanton, b Dec. 14, 1913, Edith Mae Blanton, b April 24, 1916, Robert Edward Blanton, b May 1, 1920, Jess William Blanton, b May 26, 1923.

b" Foster Goodman Clay, b June 22, 1890, married Mrs. Ida M. Brinson, Aug. 12, 1923. Resides in Thomasville, engaged in mercantile business. No issue.

c" Lilla Estelle Clay, b June 7, 1892, married Earl Stewart, March 1, 1911. Mr. Stewart has been engaged in farming until recently, but has moved to Florida. Children: Carlton Eugene Stewart, b Feb. 10, 1915, Sarah Agnes Stewart, b Aug. 10, 1918, d Oct. 7, 1919, Edna Odene Stewart, b Dec. 10, 1921.

d" Crawford Clay, deceased.

e" Harvey Harrison Clay, recently married a Miss Knight.

f" Nepsy Jane Clay. A trained nurse.

g" Robert Earnest, in U. S. Navy.

h" Millie Corene, deceased.

Martha Frances Clay (Identified as G" above) b Nov. 25, 1871, Miller

County, Ga., married Charlie T. Singletary, Dec. 23, 1896, moving to Florida soon after marriage where they raised a family. Mr. Singletary has been dead for several years and Mrs. Singletary now resides in Tampa. Children:

1" Ruby Arline Singletary, b March 29, 1898, married Joseph E. Davis, March 15, 1916. Residence Tampa, Fla. Children: Essie E. Davis, b April 22, 1917, Joseph Price Davis, b June 1, 1920, Charles Henry Davis, b Aug. 11, 1922, Frances Pauline Davis, b March 18, 1925.

2" Russell O. Singletary, b April 29, 1900, married Irene Dubose, resides at Tampa, Fla.

3" Rosa Ethel Singletary, b Dec. 9, 1901, married Lewis Bates, Feb. 10, 1923. Residence Bartow, Fla.

4" Pauline Singletary, b June 27, 1907.

5" Edward Augustus Singletary, b Sept. 7, 1911, d Dec. 11, 1913.

Peyton Clay, son of Lewis Clay and Judith Jones Clay and identified by F' was born in Wilkinson County, Ga., June 23, 1835, and died at Ashford, Ala., June 2, 1913. He was married three times, first to Miss Annie Bass, sister of the wife of John B. Clay, second to Miss Mattie Knowles and third to Miss Orpha Jane Newton. Mr. Clay was a soldier of the Confederacy, he was captured at Cumberland Gap, and served twenty-one months as a prisoner of war at Camp Douglas, Chicago, Ill. He was a very pious man and a strict member of the church, first joining the Baptist church, but later in life affiliating with the Christian church. By his first wife he had the following children:

a' William Dennis, b Nov. 10, 1857, never married, now deceased.

b' Martha Hattie, b Jan 15, 1856, died without issue.

c' Mary Della Clay.

d' Robert Henry Clay.

e' Edmund Peyton Clay.

f' Elton Abel Clay, b April 1870, died without issue.

g' Minnie Clay.

h' Sarah Frances Clay, died in infancy.

By second wife, Docie Clay, married Lovelace Grant, died leaving issue.

Mary Della Clay, c' above, born Nov. 27, 1860, died Jan. 13, 1892, and was buried at New Hope Church. Married Josie Brown in Calhoun County, Ga. Children:

1" Mary Brown, b Jan. 10, 1876, in Mississippi, lives now in Randolph County, Ga. P. O. Cuthbert, Ga. Married J. M. Mayfield, July 30, 1898. Children: Eva Mayfield, b Oct. 19, 1899, Myrtle Mayfield, b April 9, 1910, Elton Mayfield, b Oct. 4, 1907, Louise Mayfield, b Nov. 28, 1915.

2" Richard Elton Brown, b Feb. 11, 1885, Como, Miss., married Miss Natalie Birdie Barnes, June 30, 1912, and live at Thomasville, Ga. Mr. Brown has been for a number of years superintendent of the Thomas County system of highways and also of a large farm operated by the county. Children are Edward Ralph Brown, b May 24, 1913, Natalie Carolyn Brown, b Feb. 11, 1915, Joe Barnes Brown (Joseph) b Jan. 11, 1917, Richard Elton Brown, Jr., b March 26, 1919.

Eva Mayfield, daughter of J. M. Mayfield and Mary Brown Mayfield, married a Ragan, April 21, 1915, and has two children, Nettie Roselind, b Nov. 25, 1917, and James William Ragan, b July 19, 1922.

Robert Clay, d' above, b Randolph County, Ga. April 15, 1866, married Rachel Culbreth, Dec. 18, 1887, and resides in Cuthbert, Ga., R. F. D. No. 3. Children:

1" Infant, died Feb. 17, 1891.

2" Annie Clay.

3" Mary Clay, b Nov. 25, 1895, married her cousin, Sydney Howard. (See John B. Clay's line.)

Annie Clay, 2" above, born July 4, 1892, in Randolph County, Ga., married Earl Worthy, May 1, 1910. P. O. Ed'son, Ga. Children: Lucile Worthy, b Dec. 18, 1911, Estelle Worthy, b May 16, 1916, Ella Worthy, b May 16, 1916, (Twins), Frances Worthy, b Aug. 13, 1919.

Edward Peyton Clay, e' above, born May 9, 1867, in Randolph County, Ga. Married July 5, 1891, Miss Willie Louisa Edwards, marriage occurring in Newton Dale County, Alabama. Mrs. Clay is a member of the Edwards family of whom there has been so much newspaper talk in regard to an estate valued at several billion dol-

lars in the City of New York.

She is a daughter of James S. Edwards and Sarah Ann (Kelly) Edwards. James S. Edwards was a son of Isaac Ovelton Edwards and Frances (Wyche) Edwards. Isaac Ovelton Edwards was a son of Thomas Edwards who was a brother of the Robert Edwards of New York who immigrated to America from Edinburgh, Scotland. Sarah Ann Kelly, mentioned above, was a daughter of Ezekiel Kelly and Elizabeth (Smith) Kelly.

Mr. Clay was for a long time engaged in farming, but in 1906 he was employed by Thomas County as Superintendent of Roads, which position he held for several years. He gave the training in road construction to his nephew and retired. Later he accepted the same position with Colquitt County, but finally retired and is now living in Thomasville, where he owns some valuable property, including pecan groves and a young pear orchard. He is a member of the Baptist Church, a Mason, and a Democrat in politics. He and his wife have only 3 children, all boys, and bear the distinction of having given all three to the World's War and having received them back into the family circle. The boys are:

1" Arvah Edward Clay, b April 14, 1892, Newton, Ala. First held a position with Peninsula & Occidental Steamship Co., next with a wholesale business in Thomasville, later with a construction company in Bainbridge, Ga. From here he entered the World War, where he obtained the rank of Lieutenant and was one of the last to be discharged. After securing his discharge he accepted a position with the Philippine Government as Assistant Purchasing Agent, resigning to go with the Y. W. C. A. now being in the auditing department in New York City. Married Miss Pattie Edith Gandy, daughter of Thomas Gandy of Thomasville, Dec. 29, 1920. No issue. Address 246 Summitt Ave., Jersey City, N. J.

2" J. P. Clay, b July 26, 1895, Thomas County, Ga., married Alimaie Bowen of Thomasville, May 9, 1919. He enlisted in the famous Chatham Artillery and did his bit

In France, ranking as Sergeant. He and his wife reside at Thomasville, Ga., and have one living child, Mildred Clay, b April 9, 1920. They have lost one infant.

- 3" T. H. Clay, b May 25, 1897, married Miss Edith Rice, daughter of Charles Henry Rice, County School Superintendent, Thomas County, Ga., and his wife Annie Lou McKinnon Rice. He also did his bit in France, being in the Motor Transport Service. Res. Thomasville, Ga. No issue.

Minnie Clay, g' above, born May 27, 1876, in Randolph County, Ga., married W. A. Webb, April 16, 1891, and resides at Columbia, Alabama. Children:

- 1" Florence Webb, b March 17, 1892, married Roy Culbreth, March 1, 1914, Houston County, Ala. Res. Headland, Ala. Children are, Ethel Culbreth, b Nov. 28, 1914, Margaret Culbreth, b Sept. 28, 1917, Sarah Elizabeth Culbreth, b Oct. 24, 1919, and Florence Kathrine Culbreth, b Feb. 6, 1925.
- 2" Etta Mae Webb, b Dec. 18, 1894, Houston County, Ala., married Jesse A. Culbreth, Feb. 20, 1915, res. Columbia, Ala. Children: Minnie Maud Culbreth, b May 19, 1916, Jesse Earl Culbreth, b June 23, 1920, Rayward Bill Culbreth, b Dec. 17, 1921 and Robert Elton Culbreth, b July 9, 1924.
- 3" Verna Webb, b Sept. 28, 1896, married Mamie Lois Carrol, res. Quitman, Ga.
- 4" Lottie Webb, b Sept. 18, 1898, married Quinn C. Goodman, Oct. 20, 1921. P. O. Columbia, Ala. Children, Mary Quinn Goodman, b Oct. 12, 1922, James Webb Goodman, b Dec. 16, 1923.
- 5" Bill Webb, b Dec. 30, 1899.
- 6" Jessie Webb, b Sept. 14, 1902, d May 9, 1903.

Ella Fair Clay (Identified as G' above) daughter of Lewis Clay and Judith Jones Clay, married Andrew Wade Kilpatrick, who was a son of Andrew Wade Kilpatrick and Jennie (Scott) Kilpatrick. Andrew Wade Kilpatrick had a brother, James, who founded the little city of Sasser, Terrell County, Ga. A sister married John Bennett and they were the an-

cestors of the Bennett Family of Grady County, Ga. Andrew Wade Kilpatrick enlisted as a private in Company H, 64th Regiment, Georgia Infantry, September 18, 1863; was severely wounded at Crater near Petersburg, Va., July 30, 1864. Surrendered at Appomattox, Va., April 9, 1865. The family lived near Dawson, Ga., until the death of the wife which occurred about 1884, but do not have dates. Children:

- a' Henrietta Kilpatrick.
b' Almeda Kilpatrick.
c' Taliaferro Kilpatrick.
d' James Kilpatrick.
e' Sallie Kilpatrick.
f' Mollie Kilpatrick.
g' Laura Kilpatrick, b Nov. 22, 1870, d Feb. 28, 1901. Married J. H. Brady. No issue.
h' Cora Kilpatrick, b Dec. 13, 1872, married Albert N. Davis, formerly a builder and contractor, now circulation manager of paper at Moultrie, Ga.
i' Viola Kilpatrick.

Henrietta Kilpatrick, a' above, married A. P. Bragg, children are:

- 1" William A. Bragg, b July 25, 1877, married Susie Henderson, reside at Meigs, Ga. Children. Pearl Bragg, b Aug. 29, 1901 Earl Bragg, b Dec. 11, 1904, Andrew Bragg, b Jan. 18, 1907, Jim Bragg, b Dec. 31, 1909, Ruby Bragg, b July 19, 1913, Katielou Bragg, b March 25, 1916, Emory Bragg, b Oct. 1, 1919, Robert Bragg, b June 8, 1921, Susie Bragg, b Oct. 8, 1923.
- 2" Thomas Wade Bragg, b July 25, 1871, married Sarah Josie Justice, Aug. 20, 1900. Res. Tarpon Springs, Fla. Children are: Andrew Lit, b Dec. 4, 1901, Leland Thomas, b May 7, 1905, Herbert, b Feb. 25, 1908, Wallace, b Sept. 14, 1911, Essie May, b May 2, 1914, Sara, b Dec. 24, 1917, Glorean, b Nov. 10, 1920.

Almeda Kilpatrick, (Identified as b' above) married James A. Miller, whose first wife was also a Kilpatrick, and whose son, William, married Laura Clay, daughter of the Rev. John B. Clay. I have no dates. Both dead. Children:

- A" Dora Miller. No Further information.
B" Lloyd Douglas Miller, was a soldier in the Spanish-American

War, never returned and family was never able to learn his fate. Simply one of the great army of missing.

C" Ellie Miller.

D" Lillie Miller, married Benjamin Overstreet. No issue.

E" Mary Lizzie Miller.

F" Walter Miller, never married.

Ellie Pearl Miller, (C" above) b May 10, 1884, married Guy A. Cox, July 2, 1903. Res. Tifton, Ga. Children are: L. Frank Cox, b Feb. 2, 1905, Lillie Pearl Cox, b Nov. 19, 1906, Henry Miller Cox, b Sept. 17, 1908, Robert Anderson Cox, b Feb. 8, 1910, Mary Helen Cox, b Aug. 21, 1912, Guy A. Cox, Jr., b Feb. 12, 1916, Marcus Lafayette Cox, b March 10, 1921.

Mary Elizabeth Miller, (Identified as E" above) b June 11, 1892, Terrell County, Ga., married Dr. Marus L. Webb and reside at Mayodan, Rockingham, N. C., marriage was at Albany, Dougherty County, Georgia, April 30, 1911. No issue.

Taliaferro Kilpatrick, (c' above) m Jennie Waller at Dawson, Terrell County, Ga. Both are dead. Children:

a" James Wade Kilpatrick, b Feb. 3, 1890, married Ida George Dean, Manchester, Ga., May 4, 1924. Res. Atlanta, Ga. No issue.

b" Sara Lou Kilpatrick, b March 19, 1894, res. Georgia Experiment Station, Experiment, Georgia.

c" William B. Kilpatrick. Deceased.

d" George Kilpatrick, unmarried. Res. Atlanta, Ga.

e" Vera Kilpatrick, Atlanta, Ga.

f" Ralph Kilpatrick, Atlanta, Ga.

g" Mary Ella Kilpatrick, b Nov. 27, 1905, married L. Curtis Reed, Sept. 30, 1922. Res. Atlanta, Ga. No issue.

h" Oscar Kilpatrick. Res. Atlanta, Ga.

James Kilpatrick, (Identified as d' above) married twice, first Julia Pickett, second Lizzie Passmore, children by first wife, Lee Roy (Deceased), Kate, Bessie and Dave. No information in regard to second wife.

Sallie Kilpatrick (Identified as e' above) married W. H. Wadsworth, her first cousin. She is dead, leaving several children. No further information.

Mollie Kilpatrick, f' above, married Charles Fletcher Suggs, who was accidentally killed in Florida, several years ago. His widow lives at Manchester, Ga. Children are:

1" Annie May, who married Jesse Suggs, her cousin.

2" Carl Hammett Suggs, Atlanta, Ga.

3" Catherine Floyd Suggs, married Lee Martin and lives at Port Arthur, Texas.

4" Kate Suggs, b Nov. 27, 1898, Tifton, Ga., married Charles Leffew, May 4, 1915. Res. Atlanta, Ga. Children are: Grace Leffew, b June 27, 1916, and Charles Winston Leffew, Jr., b May 9, 1918.

Viola Kilpatrick, youngest child of Ella Fair (Clay) Kilpatrick, married Jefferson J. Stokes, who has been dead for some years, now. Mrs. Stokes has never married again. She has one child, Edward Wade, and they live at Manchester, Ga.

This brings us now to Beheathland, Luvinia Clay, the youngest child of Lewis Clay and Judith Jones Clay, and who is identified as H' in this Sketch. She was the mother of the writer and her line is continued in Sketch of the "Rigsbys of Georgia" published July 4, 1925, and a short biography will be appended to this Sketch, which see.

5th Line 1Aa2'

Adam Clay, son of David Clay and Eve (Harden) Clay, is identified as 2' under David Clay's line, married probably in Washington County, but his wife's name is not known. He was a hard working farmer who resided in that section for some time. Tradition says that he stammered. He and his wife moved to Jackson county, Florida, and nothing further is known of his family.

5th Line 1Aa3'

Pearce Clay, a son of David Clay and Eve (Harden) Clay, and who is identified as 3' under this line, evidently married and raised a family, but I have been unable to discover any descendants.

5th Line 1Aa4'

Sarah Clay, daughter of David Clay and Eve (Harden) Clay, and identified as 4' in this line, married James M. Hatcher, and their children were:

A' Green Hatcher.

B' John Hatcher.

C' Robert Hatcher.

D' Edward Hatcher.

E' Sallie Hatcher Shinholster Daniels.

F' Obedience Hatcher Jones. (See

Jones Genealogies.)

G' Mahany Hatcher Shepherd.

H' Harriet Hatcher Pace.

Note: Tradition assigns to James M. Hatcher, brothers and sisters as follows: Nancy Hatcher, married a Hancock of Crawford County, Ga., Betsey Hatcher married John Tharp, of Crawford county; Robert Hatcher, who lived in Crawford county, and Reuben Hatcher, who died in Wilkinson county, Ga.

From "The King's Mountain Men" by White, page 213, I find that Flayl Nicholas, was a son of Nancy Hatcher, a cousin to Henry Clay. This Nancy Hatcher must have been a daughter or granddaughter of William Clay, who was the father of Mitchell Clay. Several Hatchers resided in Bedford county, Virginia, before 1800 and their wills are recorded in that county. Major John Hatcher was a resident of Wilkinson county, Georgia. He and Dr. John Taliaferro were members of the Mt. Nebo Church. John Hatcher's wife is supposed to have been named Mary Brady and the known children are: John, Elizabeth, Robert, James and William Green.

5th Line 1Aa5'

Robert Clay, son of David Clay and Eve (Harden) Clay, and who is identified as 5' under this line, was guardian for Peyton Clay and Edmund B. Clay after the death of David Clay, according to the records of Wilkinson county, Georgia, which were preserved from fire.

5th Line 1Aa6'

Peyton Clay, son of David Clay and Eve (Harden) Clay, and who is identified as 6' of this line, was born December 25, 1800, in either Washington or Wilkinson county, Ga. On December 19, 1830, was married to Nancy M. Jones, a sister of Judith Jones, who married Lewis Clay. She was born December 31, 1805, died September 19, 1851. Peyton Clay was a man of unusual business ability and appears to have been the only son of David Clay, who died in Wilkinson county, Ga. He was a large slave holder, one of the stock holders in the construction of the Central Railroad through that section of the state, and the largest land owner in Wilkinson county at the time of his death, which occurred on the 11th day of November, 1880, in Wilkinson county, Ga.

He and his wife are both buried in the Peyton Clay Cemetery, northwest of Toombsboro and their graves are marked by a handsome monument. Children:

A' Lawrence W. Clay.

B' Martha Clay.

C' David Melton Clay.

D' Edmond William Clay.

E' Narcissa Clay.

F' Sarah Clay.

Lawrence W. Clay, A' above, was born Jan. 2, 1832, in Wilkinson county, Georgia, married Miss Jane Jackson, and to them were born children as follows:

a' Henry Clay, b Oct. 10, 1850, d Oct. 1, 1898. He never married, and lived and died in Wilkinson county, where he was a well known character.

b' Ella F. Clay, b Sept. 1, 1858, married Elwood G. Robinson. A daughter, Mrs. Mac Robison Lawson, lives in Dublin, Ga., and is prominent in D. A. R. Circles.

Martha Clay, C' above, born April 9, 1834, married Stephen Lord and resided in Wilkinson County, Ga. Children were:

a' Mary Hall Lord.

b' Talullah (Annie) Lord.

c' Peyton Clay Lord.

d' Narcissa Lord.

e' Mattie Lord.

f' William Lord.

g' Charles Lord.

h' Dock Lord.

Mattie (Martha) Lord, born Aug. 9, 1863, m James W. Vaughn, (born Nov. 14, 1855) Dec. 10, 1879. She died Jan. 24th 1898. Children are:

1" Bartow Vaughn.

2" Nelle Cora Vaughn.

3" James W. Vaughn, Jr.

4" Nannie Elizabeth Vaughn.

5" Martha Vaughn.

6" Mary Bell Vaughn.

7" Lena Inez Vaughn.

8" Jeffie Jeynelle Vaughn.

Bartow Vaughn, 1" above, married Jennie Tippens. Children are:

A" Lena Mae.

B" Mattie Lou.

C" Katherine.

Nellie Cora Vaughn, 2" above, married Eulice Beck Joiner. Children are:

A" Baby Nele Joiner (dead).

B" Martha Frances.

James W. Vaughn, Jr., married

Pearl Their children are:

A" Elizabeth.

B" Jeynelle.

C" Jim, Jr.

D" Nellie.

Nannie Elizabeth Vaughn, 4" above, born at Toombsboro, Ga., Oct. 14, 1887, married Edgar Eugene Steed, Toombsboro, Oct. 21, 1906. Residence 368 Moreland Ave., Atlanta, Ga. Mr. Steed is a son of Virgil Augustus Seed, of Talbotton, Ga. Mr. E. E. Steed has been twice married. He was married first to Olive Bryant. To them one child was born, Virgil Samuel Steed, born Jan. 18, 1904. Mr. Steed's first wife died 1904. Children by second wife are:

A" James Eugene Steed, b Oct. 10, 1907, d Nov. 27, 1907.

B" Joseph Elizabeth Steed, b May 31, 1909.

Martha Vaughn, 5" above, was born at Toombsboro, June 26, 1890, married Fred Kendall Johnson. Residence 400 N. W. 17th Ave., Miami, Fla. Mr. Johnson's parents were John S. and Sarah Johnson, maternal grandparents, Purdy and Elizabeth Price, paternal grandparents, Jacob and Martha Johnson. All lived near Elizabethtown, N. C. Mr. Johnson is a W. O. W. and member of the Methodist Church and Mrs. Johnson of the Christian Church. Children:

A" Frederick Vaughn Johnson, b Aug. 14, 1911.

B" Martha Elizabeth Johnson, b Mar. 8, 1919; fifth in line to be named Martha.

Lena Inez Vaughn, identified as 7" above, was educated at Bessie Tift College, Forsyth, Ga., and was married to Dr. Harry Reeves Oliver, October 1, 1921. Dr. Oliver is a Physician and associate Professor of Clinical Pathology of Stanford University; a Sigma Xi and Phi Beta Pi. He served during the war as Major, Medical Corps, United States Army, and until 1923, when he resigned from service. Dr. Oliver is the son of John Meredith Oliver, who was born in Virginia and was a soldier in the Confederate Army. His wife Mary Llewelyn Tribble, was born in Missouri.

Residence 2749 Union St., San Francisco, Cal. No Issue.

Jeffie Jeynelle Vaughn, 8" above,

married Howard Buford Nash. One child.

A" Dorothy Jeynelle.

David Melton Clay, identified as C' above, was born Dec. 25, 1837, married Fannie O'Bannon. Children:

a' Fannie Clay.

b' David Clay.

c' Velpo Clay.

Edmund William Clay, D' above, was born Jan. 29, 1839, died June 4, 1898. His wife before her marriage was Miss Elizabeth Stevens, who was born Nov. 25, 1845, and died Jan. 8, 1923. They both are buried in Toombsboro, Ga. Mrs. Clay kept a hotel in Toombsboro, Ga., for many years after the death of her husband and was well known to the general travelling public. They left no children.

Narcissa Clay, E' above, married William M. Carswell. Children:

a' Leila Carswell was married to Weems J. Wood, who was a son of Benjamin A. Wood and his wife, who before her marriage was Miss Annie B. Darby, whose mother before her marriage was Miss Coatney Irwin, a sister of Gov. J. I. Irwin, of Washington county Ga. Children were: Leon, Judson, Lela Thelma, Robin Hudson and William Carswell.

b' William B. Carswell, born and reared in Wilkinson county, Ga., and was partially educated at Old Talmadge Institute, at Irwinton, Ga. The family moved to Pulaski, Ga., near Cochran, where he finished his literary education. He graduated in medicine at John Hopkins University, in 1885. He located at Cochran where he did a very lucrative practice. He married Miss Ida Overby, of Cochran, Ga., who was the daughter of W. H. Overby, who came from Virginia.

P. C. Carswell, is a resident of Macon, where he is connected with the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co.

Sarah Clay, F' above, was born Jan. 7, 1845, at Toombsboro, Ga., died Nov. 13, 1923, was buried at Cochran, Ga. She married Thomas Jefferson Jordan, Feb. 11, 1864. He was born Oct. 8 1836, died Nov. 25, 1891, marriage occurred in Wilkinson county, Ga. Children:

a' Minnie Jordan.

b' Evelyn Jordan.

c' Jeffie Jordan.

Minnie, a' above, married Emmett

Lee Coleman, June 3, 1885. He was born July 30, 1881. They have one child, Emmett Lee Coleman, Jr., born March 18, 1885, married Mary Laetitia Kelley, Oct. 30, 1918. Res. Barnesville, Ga.

Evelyn Jordan, b' above, was born Feb. 22, 1865, married Evan Holmes, Jan. 1890, d Oct. 1st following.

Jeffie Jordan, c' above, was born March 25, 1885, married Thomas Wilmore Fisher, Oct. 26, 1906. Children: Sarah Elizabeth Fisher, born July 23, 1907; Joseph Jordan Fisher, born April 3, 1909; Thomas Wilmore Fisher, born Nov. 28, 1913; Minnie Fisher, born Nov. 9, 1918.

5th Line 1Aa7

Edmund B. Clay, 7' above, was evidently the youngest son of David Clay and Eve (Harden) Clay. (Records of Wilkinson County show that Robert Clay, as his guardian, paid tuition to his teacher, David S. Pearce Query. Was he a relative?) He married Sallie or Sarah Jones, a daughter of John Lawrence Jones and Lucy Taliaferro Jones, who was a sister of Judith Jones, who married Lewis Clay, to Nancy Jones, who married Peyton Clay, and to Richard Jones, who married Obedience Hatcher, a granddaughter of David Clay and Eve (Harden) Clay.

Edmund Clay moved to Lee County, Ga., together with Lewis Clay, where he died, leaving children as follows:

- A' David Clay.
- B' John W. Clay.
- C' Nanny Clay.

The administration of the estate of Edmund B. Clay was begun in Lee county, Ga., but was finally disposed of in Terrell county, after Terrell county was made from territory embraced in Lee county.

David Henry Clay, identified as A' above, was born in Wilkinson county, Ga., April 1, 1841, and died Dec. 16, 1904, in Decatur county, Ga., and was buried in Durham cemetery situated in the Northwestern part of the county. He married in 1876, Mrs. Guest, who was the widow of James Guest. Mrs. Guest before her marriage was Miss Martha Jane Fiveash, a daughter of John Fiveash and his wife, Nanny (Knight) Fiveash. David Henry Clay was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church, a Master Mason, and was wounded in the

Confederate service. Their children were:

- a' Edmund Fiveash Clay, b Feb. 14, 1877, m Roberta Lane. Res. West Frostproof, Fla. Children: David Hay Clay, b June 14, 1916, and Earl Fiveash Clay, b June 12, 1918.
- b' Cora Estelle Clay, b Sept. 16, 1878, m James B. Lane, Jan. 10, 1904, res. Brinson, Ga.
- c' Nancy Sarah Clay, b Oct. 30, 1883, m Homer Powell. Mrs. Powell is deceased, but her husband lives near Brinson, Ga.
- d' Julia Petronia Clay, died quite young, Sept. 23, 1880.

John W. Clay, identified as B' above, married twice, first to Gusta Ann Powell, a sister of Jesse Powell, who married Nanny Clay, second a Mrs. Helms.

Just a word, as to the Powells here. The Powells who have married so often into the Clay family appear to have been descended from John Powell and Martha (Wall) Powell, who lived in Terrell county, Ga. They evidently came from Washington county into Lee county, before Terrell county was created. John Powell was a son of William Powell who immigrated from England to America. We have no record of children of John W. Clay by his second wife, but children by his first marriage were:

- a' Amanda Clay, m John Holder. both dead.
- b' Edmund Clay.
- c' James B. Clay.
- d' and e' Boulah and Lula Clay, twins.
- f' Nannie Clay.
- g' Thomas Clay.
- h' David Clay.
- i' Leila Clay.

This family moved to Texas sometime in the 80's, where Mr. Clay was stung by some kind of an insect, from which he died.

Nanny Clay, identified as C' above, was born Feb. 9, 1843, died 1920, married first, Charles Haynes, Feb. 1864, second, Jesse H. Powell, 1868. By her first husband she had one child, Salley Haynes, who married E. S. Perry, now deceased. Mrs. Perry resided in Bainbridge, Ga., until recently when she married a second time. By her second husband she had children as follows:

- a W. G. Powell.

- b Mrs. J. B. Donalson, Cyrene, Ga.
- c Mrs. E. Rich, Bainbridge, Ga.
- d Mrs. E. G. Rich, deceased.
- e Mr. J. T. Powell, Brinson, Ga.
- f Mrs. A. J. Rich, Bainbridge, Ga.
- g Mrs. W. W. Lane, Jacksonville, Fla.
- h Mrs. P. D. Rich, Bainbridge, Ga.
- i Johnnie Powell, deceased.
- j Mrs. W. C. Simms, Bainbridge, Ga.
- k Mrs. J. B. L. Barber, Bainbridge, Ga.

Mahany Clay, identified as 8' above, the youngest child of David Clay and Eve (Harden) Clay, evidently married Thomas H. Wynn. She was for a long time unknown to the other descendants. The following records from the Court of Ordinary of Wilkinson county, Georgia, which by chance was saved from the many fires, established her relationship. It being of general interest as giving an example of a bride's trousseau of that time, is given in full.

Page 29, Book of Returns, 1818-28.

"Rec'd of Adam Harden, guardian for Mahany Clay, formerly minor of David Clay, dec'd, now my wife, payment in full for her legacy of the estate of the said David Clay, dec'd. Dec. 30, 1822.

Signed
Thomas H. Wynn."

Test,
Solomon Worrill, Clk.

Page 52, Book of Returns, 1818-28.

"The expenditures of the Estate of Mahany Clay, minor of David Clay, dec'd for the year 1821. By Robt. Clay, bot of Fanandet Adkinson & Co.

1 fine drest Straw Bonnett	\$12.00
1 fine Canton Crepe Shawl	 10.00
1 pr. Stockings	1.00, 1 Trunk
5.00	 6.00
4 yd. dimity	2.00, 1 parasol
	7.00 9.00
1 pr. Shoes	1.50, 2 yds. Book
Muslin	2.00
	 3.50
1 Side Comb	75c, 1 pr. silk
Gloves, 75c, 1 belt	50c
	 2.00
5 yards Muslin	62½c, 1 tucking
comb	1.00
	 4.12½
1 Large Shawl	1.50, 1 Blk Crepe
Dress	9.00
	 10.50

1 Yd. Satin 1.50 1.50
Jan. 1st, 1821. Sundrie Articles \$79.50
Adam Harden.

Sworn to and subscribed, Jan. 1st, 1821.
S. Worrill, C. O. "

It appears that the above was her trousseau. The total cost is not given, but appears to have been \$139.12½, and indicates well the condition of the family's finances and position.

PEARCE CLAY AND SOME DESCENDANTS.

SENATOR A. S. CLAY'S LINE.

CHAPTER 5.

Pearce Clay, son of William Clay, an uncle of David Clay, was probably born in Henrico County, Virginia, quite early (in 1730 or 1740). I am unable to determine the correct way of spelling this name. Perceble Clay drew two hundred acres of land in Wilkes county, Ga., in 1794. Book DDDD, page 577.

Percibal Clay drew one hundred acres of land in Washington county, Ga., in 1799. Book CCCCC, page 163.

Pierce Clay test will of Capt. John Taliaferro in Wilkinson county, Ga.

Above is the only record I have found mentioning his name. The family has uniformly spelled it Pearce Clay and so shall I. The name of his wife is not known with certainty, although all the evidence indicates that it was Martha. We must rely upon conclusions entirely as to this. We know definitely that he settled on Buffalo Creek, on the East side of Oconee River, probably before the year 1800. This was in Washington county, Ga. He was a large slave holder and his plantation was like a little kingdom within itself. Cabins surrounded the homestead, populated with slaves, and the farm was teeming with industry; farming operations, shops for repairing tools, and sheds wherein thread was spun and woven into cloth.

His cribs were well supplied with grain and his hogs, cattle and colts roamed over the range. His loom

house always had a supply of cloth to satisfy the needs of his slaves, as well as the members of the family. He probably had several children, but we know only the names of the following:

- a William Monroe Clay.
- b John Clay.
- c Patsy Clay.

William Monroe Clay is said in "Memoirs of Georgia" to have been born in 1764 in Virginia. I doubt that this date is correct, because a great many other statements made therein in regard to the Clay family are not correct. He was probably born between 1780 and 1790. He died in Washington County, Georgia, about 1857. He was a very large man weighing something like three hundred pounds, and was able to work up until the time of his death, which does not seem to have been probable if he was born as stated in "Memoirs of Georgia." I have talked with those who remember him and this statement I think is correct. He married Mary, called Polly, Hardin, who was a daughter of Nicholas Hardin and a niece of Eve Hardin, who married David Clay. (See Hardin Sketch.) William Clay was a large land owner in Washington County. He had many children.

- 1' Pearce Clay, m Susan Ray. They had two children, John and William, who were born in Washington County, Georgia, afterward the family moved West and were lost sight of.
- 2' Adam Clay, wife was named Georgia, but do not know her maiden name. They are supposed to have descendants in Baldwin County, Georgia, but I have been unable to discover any.
- 3' Millie Clay.
- 4' Sarah Clay.
- 5' Martha Clay. No further information.
- 6' Nancy Clay. No further information.
- 7' Mary Clay, m a Perkerson, but I have not been able to find any descendants.
- 8' Lydia Clay. No further information.
- 9' Nicholas Clay.
- 10' William James Clay.
- 11' Thomas Clay; wife was named Julia. It is known that they had children, Molly and Thomas, and

descendants are supposed to be living in Baldwin County, Georgia, but I have been unable to learn of them.

Millie Clay, identified as 3' above, married Joseph Harris in Warren County, Georgia and to them were born a large number of children:

- A' Benjamin F. Harris, Sandersville, Ga.
- B' Elizabeth Harris married Dan Chambers.
- C' Wiley Harris, married Tresia Walker, Sandersville, Ga.
- D' Molly Harris, married B. F. Gladden.
- E' Tresia, married A. H. Ainsworth, Tennille, Ga.
- F' Church Harris, unmarried, Sandersville, Ga.
- G' Joseph Harris, married Annie Goss.
- H' Martha Harris, married J. W. Pool, McRae, Ga.
- I' Lydia Harris, married Sam Hall.
- J' Thomas Harris, married Minnie Hood.
- K' U. L. Harris, married Lena Roughten, Sandersville, Ga.
- L' Ida Harris, married Jessie Doolittle, Sandersville, Ga.
- M' Effie Harris, married James Renfroe, Sandersville, Ga.

Sarah Clay, identified as 4' above, married Turner Hitchcock and to them were born:

- A' Mary Hitchcock, m Offie Trawick, Tennille, Ga.
- B' Lucy Hitchcock, m John I. Renfroe, Harrison, Ga.
- C' William Hitchcock, m Sarah Swint.
- D' Hattie Hitchcock, m William Underwood.

E' Ella Hitchcock, m George Veal.

Nicholas Clay married three times, first to Sarah Trawick, who was born May 13, 1827, second to Kizzie King, who was born May 9, 1830, and third to Naomi Swint, who was born July 3, 1833. Children:

First Marriage:

- A' Ella Clay, m Rayburn Hall, Sandersville, Ga.
- B' William Clay, deceased.
- C' Bossie Clay, deceased.
- D' Molly Clay, deceased.

Second Marriage:

- E' Sally Clay.

F' Nicholas H. Clay, Macon, Ga.

G' Jesse Clay .

H' Manassas Clay, deceased.

Third marriage:

I' Samuel Clay, deceased.

J' Pattie Clay, m Marion Veal, Sandersville, Ga.

K' Kizzie Clay, m a Garland, Sparta, Ga.

L' Virginia Clay, m a Griffin.

William James Clay, identified as 10' above, born Oct. 29, 1829, in Washington County, Ga., married Edna Ann Peek, Nov. 28, 1852. He died May 22, 1911, in Cobb County, near Marietta, Ga. Children:

A' Alexander Stephens Clay.

B' William Monroe Clay, b Feb. 14, 1856.

C' Sarah Thomas Clay, b Oct. 31, 1861.

D' Robert Lee Clay, b June 15, 1869.

E' Mary Elizabeth Clay, res., Austell, Cobb County, Ga., m Drewery Morgan Davis, April 6, 1877. Mrs. Davis has given me considerable information in regard to her family.

Alexander Stevens Clay, identified as A' above, is the best known of all the Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays. He was born in Cobb County, Georgia, Sept. 25, 1853. Died at Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 13, 1910. He was largely a self-made man and graduated from Hiwassee College, in 1873, taught school two years, studying law in the meantime, and was admitted to the bar in 1877.

He was elected to the General Assembly in 1884 and again in 1886, and during his second term was Speaker of the House. In 1882 he was elected to the State Senate and was President of that body for two years. He was Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee in 1894, and conducted the campaign of his party that year; was chosen U. S. Senator in 1896, to succeed General John B. Gordon, and was re-elected for its full term, beginning March 4, 1903. (The above is taken from *Cyclopedia of Ga.*, Vol. 1, page 399.)

November 25, 1880, he married Sarah Frances White, a daughter of Andrew Jackson White and Margaret (Butner) White. To them was born children as follows:

a' Eugene Herbert Clay, b Oct. 31,

1881. He was a graduate of the University of Georgia, and also of Mercer, was Mayor of Marietta, Solicitor of Blue Ridge Circuit, member of Legislature, President of the State Senate. He died June 22, 1923, leaving one child, Eugene Herbert Clay, Jr., now 14 years of age.

b' Alexander Stevens Clay II, was born April 1, 1896, at Marietta, Ga. He married and has one child, Alexander Stevens Clay III, who is now studying in the Law Dept. of the University of Ga., age 21.

e' Frank Butner Clay, b Oct. 19, 1888, student at University of Ga., graduate of West Point, Major U. S. Army, died at Walter Reed Hospital, Aug. 22, 1920.

d' Ryburn Glover Clay, b Jan. 20, 1891, P. O. Address, Atlanta, Ga., married; Vice-President of Fulton National Bank, Atlanta, Ga. One child, Zarda, age 2 years.

e' Evelyn Clay Everett, b June 8, 1897. Resident 596 Riverside Drive, New York City, N. Y., m Roberts Everett, May 31, 1917. To them was born one child, Helen Roberts Everett, b Sept. 13, 1918.

John Clay, identified as b, son of Pearce Clay, was evidently born in Washington County, Ga., where he married Sally Griffin, about 1818. Sally Griffin was a daughter of Lewis Griffin and Martha Boyett and was one among the early settlers of what is now Grady county. John Clay evidently came to Grady County, then Thomas, but the family moved from Grady County to Miller county, where he died, his family later returning to Grady county. Children:

1' David Clay, m Sallie Sasser, April 10, 1850, died in Civil War.

2' Martha Clay.

3' Pearce Clay, m a widow Porter.

4' Warren Clay, m his first cousin, a daughter of Frank Griffin.

5' Millie Clay, m Dave Hester, brother of Hardy Hester, who married Martha Clay.

Martha Clay, identified as 2' above, married first Hardy Hester, second a Mr. McWilliams. Hardy Hester was

a son of Thomas Hester, who was a soldier in the war of 1812, and his wife, Millie Hester. Thomas Hester and his wife were among the earlier settlers in what is now Grady county, Ga., and left a large number of children.

Hardy Hester and his wife Martha (Clay) Hester had children as follows:

- A' Mary Hester, m Jefferson Collins.
- B' Sallie Hester, m Jim Cone.
- C' George W. Hester.
- D' Malinda Hester, m Frank Jordan.
- E' Thomas Harden Hester.
- F' Missouri Hester, m Charlie Ne-smith.
- H' Zenobia McWilliams.
- G' Joseph W. Hester.

Second marriage:

George Hester, married Callie Roads. She is now deceased. He resides at Pelham, Ga. Two children: Marshall Hester, married Lella Swann (See Watson-Swann Sketch.) Ruth Hester, married Jesse L. Ragan. P. O. address, Cairo, Ga.

Thomas H. Hester, married Susan Elizabeth Wilder. He is now deceased. Their children are:

- a' Henry Hester.
- b' Martin Hester, m Arthur W. Mills.
- c' Susan E. Hester, m David Brock
- d' Thomas Lee Hester, m Dollie Brock.
- e' Clara Belle Hester, m Claude Owens.
- f' Ruby Hester, m J. W. Tuggle.
- g' Hansel Hester, m Miss Black.
- h' Annie May Hester, m A. T. Johnson.
- i' William B. Hester, unmarried.
- j' Hilda Hester, m Raymond Johnson.
- k' Robert Hester, unmarried.

Henry Hester, identified as a' above was born Feb. 7, 1889 in what is now Grady county, Ga. He married Daisy Elinor McIver, May 16, 1912.

Mr. Hester is a resident of Cairo, Ga., holding the position of Cashier of the Cairo Banking Co. His wife is a member of the Baptist Church. Mr. Hester is one of the Board of Councilmen of the City of Cairo, and is considered one of the safest business men of this section of the State. Children: Daisy Hester, deceased;

Dorothy Marion Hester: Henry Hester, Jr.; Thomas Roderick Hester (named for each of his grandfathers); David Clay Hester.

Joseph W. Hester, identified as G' above, son of Hardy Hester and Martha Clay Hester, was born in Thomas county, Ga., Dec. 14, 1857, married Addie Belle Moore, of Randolph county, Ga., Dec. 12, 1889. Mrs. Hester is deceased. Residence of Mr. Hester is Cairo, Ga. Children:

- a' Anderson Hester, b July 6, 1893, m Miss Lilla Cone, May 13, 1917. Res., Cairo, Ga. Children: Leland Wright Hester, b Feb. 2, 1919; Wayne Bernard Hester, b Aug. 19, 1924.
- b' Harvie Hester, b Aug. 23, 1896, died in the service of this country at Charleston, S. C., Oct. 18, 1918.
- c' Pearl, b June 1, 1910.
- d' Eula Grace, b Jan. 19, 1912, m Paul Bond, Feb. 28, 1926.

RANDOM NOTES RELATING TO THE CLAY FAMILY.

CHAPTER 6.

It has been said that the Clays of America are all descended from a common ancestor. There appears to be no foundation for this statement. In addition to the Clay immigrants as given in Chapter I we find that there was another family of Clays quite prominent in American history, who settled in Philadelphia early in the history of our country. These appear to have been descended from Robert Clay and Hannah Slater, whose marriage was celebrated in England in 1678.

Another family of Clays came to North Carolina, where we find in the North Carolina State Records, Vol. 1, page 39, that Henry Clay, Sr., Henry Clay, Jr., Mary Clay and Priscilla Clay came to North Carolina in 1693.

Another family of Clays came to Georgia direct from England. This family appears to have been descended from Ralph Clay and his wife Elizabeth Habersham, of Yorkshire, England. Their son, Joseph Clay, came to America, where he became a member of the council of safety, a member of the Provincial Congress, a member of the Executive Council and

also a trustee of the State College. He married Anne Legardere. Their children were:

1. Hon. Joseph Clay.
2. James Clay.
3. William LeConte Clay.
4. Parnell Clay.
5. Ralph Clay.
6. Catherine Clay
7. Sarah Clay.
8. Elizabeth Clay.
9. Ann Clay.

If the above Clays were descended from a common ancestor it must have been at some period of time very remote from the settlement of Georgia.

Before proceeding to our notes relating to Georgia proper, it is fitting that we give the following extract, from Warrants of land in South Carolina, 1672-79, by Salley.

To Mr. John Yeamiens, Surveyor:

In Pursuance of an order of Council dated ye 20 day of septr. Instant you are furthwith to cause to be admeasured and layd out for Steven Clay marriner foure hundred acres on land in some place not yet layd or marked to be layd out for any other or use and if ye same happen upon any Navigable river or any river capable of being made Navigable you to allow only ye 5th part of ye depth thereof by the water side and a Certificat fully specifeyeing the scituation and bound thereof you are to return to us with all convenient speed And for your so doing this shalbe sufficient Warrant Given under our hands att Charles Towne this 10th day of September 1676.

Joseph West."

Goodspeed's Memoirs of Mississippi Vol. 1, page 957, says that James Houston, 1886, married Miss Mary C. Clay, daughter of H. P. Clay and Catherin (Milligan) Clay. H. P. Clay was a native of South Carolina, born 1812, and a son of Simon Clay. He came to Lauderdale County, Mississippi, 1842, residing there until 1851, when he moved to Kemper county. There he passed the remainder of his days, dying in 1879.

Records in the office of the ordinary of Elbert County, show that Simeon Clay married Mary Lockhart, Feb. 21, 1818.

Jan. 11, 1836, John Clay deeded to John L. B. McCrone, 125 acres of land in the eighteenth district, lot 182

of Thomas County, Georgia, now Grady County, Georgia.

There was recorded in Thomas Co., Georgia, December 24, 1863, the following instrument, which is given because of the interest which may attach to the peculiar document.

"Rec'd. of Joseph Clay his substitute papers bearing date of April 16, 1863. The name of the substitute, Nelson Rayfield, age 52 years, and received of Captain Martain's Company, Light Artillery.

D. L. Pitts, E. O. of Thomas Co.,

T. C. Braswell, D. C.

"Recorded Dec. 24, 1863."

Augustus Clay drew land in Columbia County, Georgia. The name indicates that he was related to the Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays. His relationship is not known, nor is it known as to whether or not he left descendants, although Mr. Robert Augustus Clay, a resident of Lee County with his post office address at Desoto, Georgia, is a great grandson of an Augustus Clay, who came to Georgia quite early, the line being as follows:

Augustus W. Clay, (son of Augustus Clay, who was born in Virginia,) was born in Columbia County, Ga., Oct. 7, 1828, died Aug. 16, 1904, Walnut Grove, Ga., married Elizabeth P. Wilkerson, of Walton County, Ga., Mr. Clay represented Walton County in the Legislature about 1876, was an officer in the civil war. Children were:

1. Janie Clay.
2. Reuben P. Clay.
3. Augustus C. Clay.
4. Adolphus C. Clay.
5. Altha K. Clay.
6. Effie Clay.
7. Jesse O. Clay.
8. Bessie Clay.

Reuben P. Clay, identified as 2 above, was born July 26, 1855, at Walnut Grove, Ga., married Dora E. O'Kelley, at Covington, Ga., Nov. 23, 1881. Their children were:

A Pearl E. Clay, b Oct. 16, 1884, res., Hapeville, Ga.

B Robert A. Clay, b Oct. 4, 1884, m Eddye L. Hooks, De Soto, Ga., Aug. 27, 1925. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Hooks. No issue.

C Thomas P. Clay, b June 8, 1886, res., Miami, Fla.

D Nobie E. Clay, b Feb. 1888, res.

Decatur, Ga.

E Marvin C. Clay, res., Miami, Fla.

F Marie A. Clay, res., Miami, Fla.

Jefferson Clay drew land in Jasper county, but I have not been able to secure any further information in regard to him.

Greenberry Clay drew land in Morgan county, but I have been unable to get any trace of descendants or any further recorded information.

Green Clay drew land in Habersham County, Ga.

John Clay drew land in Washington county, Ga.

Edmund Clay drew land in Talbot county, Ga. This Edmund Clay was probably the same Edmund Clay who later moved to Jackson county, Fla., and who had a son, John or Jack Clay, long a resident of Concord, Fla., and whose son, Henry I. Clay, is now a resident of Grady county, with Post Office address at Calvary, Ga.

William Clay drew land in Washington County, Ga.

Silas N. Clay drew land in Campbell County, Ga.

Samuel Clay drew land in Harris County, Georgia.

These lands were drawn between 1827-1838, and the most of the Clays named were evidently children of the early settlers of Georgia or near relatives who came into the state later.

Jesse Clay drew several tracts of land in Wilkes county, Georgia, and appears to have been later cut off into Oglethorpe county, where he drew land on Little River and where he is mentioned as being one of the first jurors of the county. We find that Jesse Clay married Hannah Coleman, of Amelia county, Va., in 1790.

I have frequently been asked as to Mr. C. C. Clay of Americus, Ga., and what relation his line is to the other Clays. His line begins in one John Clay of Virginia. It is uncertain as to whether this John Clay was a son of William Clay or the John Clay, who was a captain in the Revolutionary war and who was the eighth child of Henry Clay and Lucy Green. John Clay died in Rutherford County, Tennessee in 1835 at the age of ninety six, which would have made his birthday in 1739. I have learned nothing of the other children of this John Clay, but his wife before her marriage was Miss Millicent Epps, of Rich-

mond, Virginia, and she was a cousin of the wife of Thomas Jefferson. They had one child, Joshua Clay, born probably in Dinwiddie County, Virginia. He married Miss Sarah Elizabeth Jennings, said to have been related to Henry Clay's grandmother. Joshua Clay served four years in the Revolution, moved to Rutherford Co., Tennessee, and owned fifty acres of land in what is now the heart of Nashville. His old mansion, if not there now, was standing a few years ago. Joshua Clay and his wife had one son, John William Clay.

John William Clay married Sarah Mariah McRee, who was of Scotch descent.

C. C. Clay appears to have had brothers and sisters, but I have not been able to secure information in regard to any of them, or details of his early life. He appears to have moved to Macon, where he took a business course, moving from Macon to Sumter County, Georgia near Americus, where he spent the rest of his life, being a very successful business man and planter in that community. He was a Democrat in politics and a member of the Elks organization and of the Methodist Church.

October 3, 1877, he married Miss Mary Bryan, daughter of Thomas Green and Martha (Hooks) Bryan, descendants of prominent North Carolina families, their children are: Clifford C. Clay and Henry Clay.

(Above information from Clay manuscript, furnished by Mrs. Mary Clay of Americus, Georgia.)

Marriage Records, Decatur Co. Edmond Clay and Liza Riggan, married Aug. 26, 1852.

Edmond Clay, Sr., and Elinor Glover, married December 17, 1852

Decatur Book of Deeds B p 151, Avy Clay, May 28, 1831 conveys to granddaughter Mahany Brown, the daughter of Robert Brown, Territory of Florida, and Matilda Clay Brown, personal property, including one negro woman.

The last of the Clays to be mentioned by us needs to have mention of him prefaced by a little Georgia history. At the close of the War of the Revolution in 1783, it appears that Virginia had more soldiers than she had land to reward them for their services, and that the State of Vir-

ginia petitioned the State of Georgia asking that two hundred thousand acres of land be set aside by the state for such immigrants as might wish to settle down in one solid community; in response to this the State of Georgia, in 1784, acceded to this request from the State of Virginia and organized the Counties of Washington and Franklin. Immediately after this we find that the Virginians came "not scatteringly and wide apart, but in quick succeeding throngs, bringing along with them their wives, children and servants, and their household goods and gods. Whitney had not then invented the cotton gin and the cultivation of tobacco was the principal industry in this section of Georgia, as well as in Virginia." See *Miscellanies of Georgia*.

At this time these counties adjoined each other and the Oconee River on their west was the boundary separating the whites from the indians. This territory was claimed by both the Whites and Indians, and frequently there were conflicts and trouble. This being true, the settlers came principally from the Southwestern part, or frontier settlements of Virginia, because they were more used to the Indians, and better capacitated to stand the life on the frontier with its dangers. This was the time and occasion when Lieutenant Abia Clay of Virginia first made his appearance in Georgia, where we find that he was appointed tobacco inspector for the State of Georgia, probably for the purpose of aiding the Virginians in the growth of tobacco in the territory just organized. (*Revolutionary Records of Georgia*, Vol. II, page 728.)

Abia Clay is also listed as a Revolutionary soldier, page 378, of the

Georgia Roster of the Revolution. Abia Clay evidently did not live long to enjoy his life in the new territory, for we find that his will was executed on Nov. 20, 1791, which we give as follows:

State Of Georgia,
Richmond County:

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Abia Clay, of the State and County aforesaid, being sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory, make this, my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following, viz: First, I recommend my soul to God who gave it, and my body to the earth from whence it was taken, to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor, hereafter named.

Item. I give and bequeath to my son, Samuel Clay, and to his heirs, forever, the following negroes, viz: Tom, Rachel and her children; but in case the said Samuel Clay should die without heir, then it is my desire that the negroes aforesaid shall be equally divided among the children of Robey Cocks, of York County, Virginia.—the residue of my Estate, viz: Phebe, my stock of horses, cattle, hogs and household furniture, I desire may be sold to discharge my just debts.—Lastly, I nominate and appoint William Freeman, Esquire, Executor to this my last Will and Testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 20 day of November, in the year of our Lord, 1791.

ABIA CLAY (Seal)

Signed, sealed and acknowledged in presence of—

John Fury
Chs Statham
William Jones

Jones Genealogies and Notes Indicative of the Lineage of John Lawrence Jones of Virginia, North Carolina and Georgia.

CHAPTER VII

John Taliaferro, son of John Taliaferro and Sarah Smith Taliaferro, who was the daughter of Major Lawrence Smith, married Mary Catlett and their children were:

- 1 Lawrence Taliaferro, b Sept. 8, 1721, m Susanna Powers.
- 2 Martha Taliaferro.
- 3 William Taliaferro, b Aug. 9, 1726, m twice; first Mary Battaile who was a daughter of Nicholas Battaile and Mary Thornton Battaile.
- 4 Lucy Taliaferro, m Col. Charles Lewis.
- 5 Mary Taliaferro, b about 1730, m Joseph Jones about 1748. Joseph Jones and his wife were sponsors for Samuel Lewis, son of Fielding Lewis, and Joseph Jones and Edward Rice were sureties on bond of William Taliaferro, as guardian for minors of William Hunter. (Nicholas Taliaferro Manuscript.)

John Lewis of Warner Hill, son of Counciller John Lewis and Elizabeth Warner, born in Gloucester county, Virginia, in 1682, married Frances Fielding and to them were born:

- 1 Warner Lewis, b 1720.
- 2 Fielding Lewis, b 1725.
- 3 An unknown child.
- 4 Col. Charles Lewis, m Lucy Taliaferro.
- 5 John Lewis.

Fielding Lewis, 2 above, married first Katherine Washington, daughter of John Washington and Katherine Whiting Washington. Second Betty Washington, who was a first cousin of his first wife and a sister of Gen. George Washington. He had a son, John Lewis, who was married five times. John's third wife was Eliza-

beth Jones, daughter of Gabriel Jones, a distinguished lawyer of Virginia and known as the "Valley Lawyer." His fourth wife was a widow Armestead, who before her first marriage was Mary Ann Fountain. (See "Lewis and Kindred Families" by McAllister and Tandy.)

Fielding Lewis, but not the one above, drew land in Pitts District, Baldwin County, Georgia, about 1838. Lewis Jones drew land in Wilkinson county, Ga. Taliaferro Jones drew land in Wilkes county.

Mentioned in connection with claims under Yazoo Fraud are Valentine Jones and Seaborn Jones. Joseph B. Jones is mentioned as receiving a fraudulent grant of a hundred thousand acres of land in Franklin County, 1794. See History of the Public Domain of Georgia, by S. G. McLendon.

Dr. John Taliaferro of Georgia, willed lands to his daughter, Lucy, next to lands of Joe Jones and names John Jones, husband of his daughter, Lucy Taliaferro Jones, executor of his will. For copy of this will see forthcoming sketch of Taliaferro family by Miss Willie Ivey, of Tenmille, Ga.

To prevent confusion as to the two Col. Charles Lewises and also because of the interest to the Clay family, the following information is given:

John Lewis, who was known as Irish John Lewis, married Margaret Lynn, in Ireland. They settled in America and had the following children:

- 1 Samuel Lewis, b 1716.
- 2 Thomas Lewis, b 1718.
- 3 Andrew Lewis, b 1720. He was the Gen. Andrew Lewis who was the commander of the army at the Battle of Point Pleasant.

- 4 William Lewis, b 1724.
- 5 Margaret Lewis, b 1726.
- 6 Ann Lewis, b 1728. Margaret and Ann are said to have never been married. This information has not been verified to my satisfaction, however.
- 7 Charles Lewis, b 1728. He was a Colonel in the army and was killed at Point Pleasant. A Mr. Clay was killed in this battle, who I think was William Clay, the father of Mitchell Clay.

In making a careful study of the Jones family in Wilkinson County, Ga., I found from the oldest settlers that one Gabriel Jones and Nancy Jones, who married Peyton Clay, were cousins, but whether first cousins or second cousins, I was unable to learn. This Gabriel Jones was a son of Joseph Jones, who lived next to Dr. John Taliaferro, and his wife (probably a second wife) before her marriage was an Anderson. Their children were:

- 1 John Jones, who was also called Jack, married a Deason and moved to Texas.
- 2 Hiram Jones.
- 3 Frank Jones, married Fannie Burk and moved to Texas.
- 4 Martha Jones, also known as Polly, married Ambrose Nelson.
- 5 Gabriel Jones, who appears to have been the youngest son of Joseph Jones, was born in 1801. He married first, Nancy Underwood, who was a sister of Thomas Underwood, who was killed by being stabbed in the dark in the Courthouse in Wilkinson county, Ga., very early in the history of the county; he married second, Mariah Carr.

Gabriel Jones, 5 above, had by his first wife the following children:

- A Joseph Jones, m Mary Jane Deason, went to the Civil War, from which he was reported as missing, and never returned.
- B Matthew Jones, m Evelyn Ballard, died in the Civil War.
- C Hiram Anderson Jones, died in Civil War, without issue.
- D William Franklin Jones, m Elizabeth Slade.
- E James Gabriel Jones, died in Civil War, without issue.
- F Mary Jones, m W. B. Carr.
- G Matilda Jones m Joseph Martin.

H John Washington Jones, killed in battle in Civil War.

By his second wife he had children as follows:

- I Frances Rebecca Jones, m Morgan Bloodworth.
- J Joseph Taliaferro Jones unmarried.
- K Madison Monroe Jones, m Lefa Temple, who was a daughter of Dr. John Temple and Sarah Temple, who were first cousins. They have a son, John Gabriel Jones, Milledgeville, Ga., Route No. 1.

The above information was furnished me by Mr. Madison Monroe Jones, and is given as suggestive and will indicate to a trained genealogist, lines along which to make further search or investigation for the ancestry of John Lawrence Jones.

John Lawrence Jones.

John Lawrence Jones, whose posterity we are about to trace has been an enigma to those genealogists who have undertaken to identify him with any line. Many members of the family are under the impression that he was born in Surrey County, North Carolina. He married Lucy Taliaferro, daughter of Captain or Dr. John Taliaferro, and genealogists have indicated that he was a son of John Letton Jones, of Surrey County, North Carolina.

John Lawrence Jones was evidently born in Virginia, raised in some of the more settled provinces and came from a family of considerable culture and distinction. He was highly appreciative of the finer things of life and was to some extent out of joint with the rougher elements with which he came in contact in his Georgia environment. That he was a man of intelligence and integrity is proven by the fact that he was named executor of the will of Dr. John Taliaferro. That he was a man of courage is proven by the fact that he took up arms in defense of the people of his community from the depredations of the Indians, serving as a soldier in the Indian war. (My Mother's Notes.) That he was a man of good breeding and culture is shown by the records of his descendants, and it is patent to me from the traditions of my mother and from the evidences in hand, that John Lawrence Jones was a worthy mate for his wife, Lucy Tal-

iaferro, and that his children were worthy mates for the Clay descendants, with whom so many have united in marriage.

John Lawrence Jones, born Dec. 8, 1776, married Lucy Taliaferro, daughter of John Taliaferro and Mary Harden, in 1797. He died March 1, 1830. His wife, Lucy (Taliaferro) Jones, was born May 29, 1780, and died Feb. 28, 1842. Children were:

1st Judith Jones, b Sept. 19, 1799, m Lewis Clay. (See Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays.)

2nd Elizabeth Jones, b Sept. 23rd, 1801, m first, a Nelson, and second Robert Cameron. She had one son, Robert Cameron, Jr., and probably others, but have been unable to secure further information.

3rd Nancy Jones, b Sept. 31, 1805, m Peyton Clay. (See Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays.)

4th Craven Jones, b Sept 16, 1805 is said to have died young and without issue.

5th Sarah Jones, b Sept. 15, 1808, m Edmund Clay. (See Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays.)

6th Frances Jones, b July 5, 1810, is said to have died young and without issue.

7th Beheathland Jones.

8th John Richard Jones.

9th Mary Jones, b Oct. 30, 1817, is said to have died young.

10th Dr. Taliaferro Jones.

11th Frances M. Jones.

12th Seaborn Jones, b Jan. 22, 1824.

Beheathland Jones, 7th Line.

Beheathland Jones, was born Nov. 1, 1812, in Wilkinson county, Ga., m James H. Fountain, Nov 16, 1836, who was born Jan. 8, 1799; d Aug. 12 1863. Mrs. Fountain died July 12, 1876, in Wilkinson County, Georgia, and is buried at Armah Cemetery. Children:

1 Augustus J. Fountain, b Sept. 27, 1837, married Louisa Stevens, 1860, and died Nov. 22, 1862, in Confederate service. Children: Beheathland Fountain, m a Daniels, died soon after; Annie Fountain, m John Whittaker.

2 Israel Jackson Fountain.

3 Lucy Ann Fountain.

4 Seaborn Jones Fountain.

5 Thomas Franklin Fountain.

6 Nancy Caroline Fountain.

Israel Jackson Fountain (2) born June 17, 1839, married Rebecca J. Hatsfield, Aug. 11, 1865, and died Feb. 17, 1901. Children were:

A Mary Lucy Fountain.

B Ida Nancy Fountain, b Nov. 7, 1868, d May 22, 1911.

Mary Lucy Fountain, identified as A above, was born Nov. 16, 1866, married T. H. Bragg, Sept. 24, 1885. Res. Irwinton, Ga. Children were:

a Willard A. Bragg, residence 2111 Oak St., Vicksburg, Miss.

b Otis Bragg, res. 911 Atlanta, Ave., Decatur, Ga.

c Mamie Bragg. (Mrs. R. A. Maddox, res. Irwinton, Ga.)

d Jennie Bragg.

e Earnest E. Bragg, res. Pearl Ave., Spartanburg, S. C.

f T. H. Bragg, Jr., res., Peachtree Road, Atlanta, Ga.

g Ethel Bragg. (Mrs. B. W. Lee, 121 Church St., Decatur, Ga.)

h Wilmer Bragg.

i Olan Bragg.

Lucy Ann Fountain (3), born May 19, 1843, seventh line, married Richard E. Hatfield, who was a son of S. W. Hatfield, m July 1860. Both father and son served in the Civil War. Richard E. Hatfield was in the 57th Ga. Regiment, Company I, and S. W. Hatfield was in the 2nd Ga. Militia, last call. Issue:

A James Ira Hatfield.

B Lucy Beheathland Hatfield.

C Clara Frances Hatfield.

D Mattie Annie Hatfield.

E Samuel Eugene Hatfield, res. Irwinton, Ga.

F Sidney Ware Hatfield, res. McIntyre, Ga., b Jan. 1st, 1877, in Wilkinson, county, m Jan. 20, 1903 Winnie Cornelia Smith who was born in Wilkinson County, Ga. Issue: James Ira Hatfield b Oct. 31, 1903; Sidney Johnson Hatfield b March, 17, 1906; Annie Lou Hatfield, b March 9, 1909; Emory Smith Hatfield b April 21, 1915; Edna Winifred Hatfield b Jan. 2, 1917.

James Ira Hatfield, A above, born Dec. 14, 1861, died Aug. 10, 1920, married first Fannie Stuckey, Dec. 10, 1885, and second Christie Ann Vickers, July 2, 1893. Issue by last marriage:

a Christie Ann Hatfield.

b Elizabeth Hatfield.

c Stella Lee Hatfield.

d Mattie Aurora Hatfield.

e Nanny Inez Hatfield.

Lucy Beheathland Hatfield, B above, born March 26, 1866, married Isaac T. Davis, Dec. 16, 1885. Children:

a Thomas Ivey Davis.

b Annie Gertrude Davis.

c Isaac Watson Davis.

d Maxie Lucy Davis., Mrs. I. T. Etheridge, Haddock, Ga.

e Laura Almeta Davis.

f Terry Ellis Davis.

Clara Frances Hatfield, D above, born March 30, 1868, taught school several years prior to her marriage to John Seaborn Davis. John Seaborn Davis graduated from Mercer University, in 1893, and taught school several years before and after graduating. He was State Senator from his district in 1911-13, and is now practicing law at Irwinton, Ga. He also served as Ordinary of Wilkinso. County, Ga., for eight years. Children:

a Clara Izetta Davis, principal of the High School at Toombsboro, Ga.

b Willie Lee Davis.

c Curry Davis.

d Sarah Lucy Davis.

e John Ellis Davis.

f Jameson Grady Davis.

g James Cecil Davis.

Sarah Lucy Davis, m J. T. Youngblood, and she left a daughter, Sarah Youngblood, born May 8, 1925. Izetta, Willie, and Sarah L. (Sadie), are graduates of G. S. C. W., Milledgeville, Ga. Willie Davis has been teaching high school in the Wilkinso. county high school at Irwinton, Ga., for the past six years. John Ellis and Jameson are farmers, and Cecil is in school at Irwinton, Ga., Sarah L. (Sadie), taught for the four years following her graduation, 1921, as Principal of McIntyre High School, McIntyre, Ga.

Mattie Annie Hatfield, (D) born Aug. 18, 1870, married James Robert Torrence, June 10, 1891. Res. Milledgeville, Ga. Children:

a Ellis Watson Torrence.

b Robert Guy Torrence.

c Annie Winifred Torrence.

d Clara Belle Torrence.

e Mamie Elizabeth Torrence.

f Lillian Torrence.

g Charles Gresham Torrence.

Samuel Eugene Hatfield, identified as E above, born July 22, 1873, mar-

ried Sara Emily Gibson, Dec. 28, 1898. Children:

a Eugene Fountain Hatfield.

b Ann Lanetta Hatfield.

c Alma Lillian Hatfield.

d Samuel Evans Hatfield.

e Lucile Amanda Hatfield.

f and g Millard and Willard Hatfield, twins.

h Buena Vista Hatfield.

i Alice Gibson Hatfield.

Sidney Ware Hatfield F above, born Jan. 2, 1877, married Winnie Cornelia Smith, Jan. 20, 1903. Children:

a James Ira Hatfield.

b Sidney Johnson Hatfield.

c Annie Lou Hatfield.

d Emory Hatfield.

e Edna Hatfield.

Seaborn Jones Fountain, 4 above, Dec. 27, 1866, married Margaret Irwin, born April 7, 1841. Children:

A Thomas Chandler Fountain.

B Leilla Augusta Fountain.

C Augustus Theodore Fountain, b in Wilkinso. county, Ga., Sept. 7, 1871, m Dec. 25, 1895 Minnie Lavendar, daughter of W. B. Lavendar and Pennie Lavendar, Issue! Clara Fountain Wood b Oct. 21, 1897. Ernest Fountain b Sept. 7, 1899, Gordon, Ga. Rt. 2, m June 16, 1918; Irwin Jones Fountain, b June 28, 1904; Royce Fountain, b March 16, 1907, Gordon, Ga; Clayton Fountain, b Oct. 8, 1910, Gordon, Ga; Mary Fountain, b Oct. 8, 1910, Gordon, Ga. Mary Fountain b July 7, 1915, Gordon, Ga.

D Bessie Fountain.

E Annie Maebelle Fountain.

F Seaborn Fountain, res. Gordon, Ga., Rt. No. 3.

G William Fountain, b Sept. 14, 1879, died July 12, 1882.

H Avarilla Fountain.

* Thomas Chandler Fountain, A above, born Oct. 2, 1867, died May 14, 1905, married Frances Newby Dec. 16, 1888. Children:

a Roberta Fountain. (Mrs. C. W. Robinson, 851 Oak St., Macon, Ga.)

b Clara Edna Fountain. (Mrs. Thomas A. Drew, 126 Cole St., Macon, Ga.)

c Willie Augusta Fountain. (Mrs. J. W. Housley, 109 Plant Ave., Tampa, Fla., born Sept. 26, 1892,

Wilkinson county, Ga. m 1st. Aug 22, 1909 to Frank H. Powers, Jr. son of Ella Drake and Frank H. Powers, 2nd; October 10, 1917. James Washington Housley. Issue by first marriage; Donald Chandler Powers, b Oct. 17, 1910, Bibb County, Ga.

Leila Augusta Fountain, B above, born July 16, 1869, married first Dec. 1888, Thomas Davis, second July 26, 1896, W. H. Singletary, res. 165 Fairmont St., Atlanta, Ga. Children by first marriage:

a Lucia Leona Davis, b Gordon, Ga. Sept. 1, 1890, m Aug. 13, 1919 W. M. Clement: Res. Mod. School Rome, Ga. Issue: Emily Clement.

b Alvah Davis.

c Thomasine Davis.

Children by second marriage:

d Ellis Singletary, res. Tampa, Fla.

e Kathleen Singletary.

Augustus Fountain, C above, born Sept. 7, 1871, married Mary Allie Lavendar, Dec. 25, 1895. Children:

a Clara Fountain.

b Ernest Fountain.

c Irvin Fountain.

d Royce Fountain.

e Clayton Fountain.

f Mary Fountain.

Bessie Fountain, D above, born Oct. 9, 1873, married W. Hawkins, March, 1893, res. 1820 Marion St., Columbia, S. C. They had only one child, Leila, who is dead.

Annie Maebelle Fountain, E above, born Dec. 4, 1875, married R. W. Ross, 1897. Res. 111 A Richardson St., Atlanta, Ga. Children:

a E. B. Ross.

b S. J. Ross.

c Bascom Ross.

d Eloise Ross.

e Ernest Ross.

f Clio Ross.

g R. W. Ross.

h Woodrow Ross.

Seaborn Fountain, F above, born Aug. 9, 1877, married Minnie Smith, 1899. Children:

a Lizzie Fountain

b Archie Fountain.

c Chandler Fountain.

d Bessie Maude Fountain.

e Marvin Fountain.

f Robert Fountain.

g Minnie Jewel Fountain.

Avarilla Fountain, G above, born May 30, 1882, married R. S. Sanders,

Aug. 7, 1922. Res. Gordon, Ga., Rt. No. 3. No issue.

Thomas Franklin Fountain, No. 5, seventh line, born Feb. 29, 1848, married Epsie Dean, Nov. 8, 1866, and died Sept., 1893. Children:

A Luke Fountain.

B Mattie Fountain.

C Annie Fountain.

D Lillie Fountain.

E Thomas Fountain.

Nancy Caroline Fountain, No. 6, seventh line, born March 31, 1852, in Wilkinson County, Ga., married Lafayette Balkcom, March 5, 1868. Mr. Balkcom was born Jan. 16, 1840, served in the Confederate army throughout the war between the states, and died April 25, 1921. Mr. Balkcom and his wife were married in Wilkinson County, Ga., the ceremony having been performed by Rev. Charles Johnston, Methodist minister. Mrs. Balkcom resides at Griswoldville, Ga. Children:

A Carrie Tallulah Balkcom.

B Alonzo Eugene Balkcom, res., Griswoldville, Ga.

C Annie Irene Balkcom.

D Estelle Beheathland Balkcom.

E Clarence Lafayette Balkcom, res. Griswoldville, Ga.

Carrie Tallulah Balkcom, A above, born Feb. 1, 1869, married Dr. Schiller B. Poland, Sept. 16, 1886. She died Oct. 9, 1916. Their children are:

a Sadie Poland. (Mrs. Manuel H. Jones, Orlando, Fla.)

b Carl Poland, died in World War.

c Annie Estelle Poland.

d Eugene Poland, 112 New Orleans St., Hattiesburg, Miss.

e Hugh Poland.

f De Witt Poland.

Alonzo Eugene Balkcom, B above, born July 29, 1871, married Leila Sketoe, April 15, 1894. Children:

a Lucile Balkcom. (Mrs. R. H. Stevens, 669 2nd St., Macon, Ga.)

b Thomas Balkcom, res. Griswoldville, Ga.

c Nannie Balkcom, (Mrs Eugene Gibson 8277 Chamberlain St., Detroit, Michigan.

d Ava Balkcom. (Mrs. Robert Christian, Gray, Ga.)

e Alice Balkcom.

f Fred Balkcom.

g Agnes Balkcom.

h Albert Balkcom.

i Milton Balkcom.

j Henry Balkcom.

k La Verne Balkcom.

Annie Irene Balkcom,, c above, born July 11,, 1874, in Jones County, Georgia, married Simeon Lafayette McWilliams, on June 18, 1891. Mr. McWilliams was born March 4, 1860, d Nov. 13, 1913. His father was Simeon McWilliams, a Confederate soldier. Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams were married in Jones County, Georgia, the ceremony having been performed by Rev. Joseph Carr, Methodist minister. They have only one child:

a Olive McWilliams, b April 20, 1892, whose address is 105 Buford place, Macon, Ga. She married Dec. 5, 1914, Sidney William Hatcher, who is a prominent lawyer in Macon. Mr. Hatcher was born Jan. 25, 1882, and is the son of Sidney W. Hatcher, who was a Confederate soldier and also a descendant of Major John Hatcher, Revolutionary soldier of Wilkinson county, Georgia. Mr and Mrs. Hatcher were united in marriage by the Rev. W. N. Ainesworth, now Bishop of the M. E. Church, South. Mrs. Hatcher has been a great aid in collecting this information and assisting in this work:

Estelle Beheathland Balkcom, D above, born March 22, 1877. married Porter Henderson, May 24, 1895. She died April 30, 1898, leaving one child:

a Shelton Henderson, res. Gordon, Ga., Rt. 3.

Clarence Lafayette Balkcom, E above, born Sept. 7, 1880, married Mamie Smith, Dec. 23, 1902. Children:

a Ernest Balkcom.

b Harry Balkeom.

c Ralph Balkcom.

d and e Marian and Raymond Lafayette Balkcom, twins.

John Richard Jones, 8th Line.

Dr. John Richard Jones, son of John L. Jones and Lucy Taliaferro Jones, his wife, was born in Wilkinson county, Ga., Dec. 20, 1814. On March 12, 1839, he was married to Obedience Hatcher, daughter of James M. and Sarah (Clay) Hatcher, of the same county.

Early in their married life they left Georgia for Marianna, Fla., in which vicinity they bought a farm.

Dr. Jones was an ordained minister of the Baptist church and was also a homeopathic physician, finding many instances where he could serve the

physical as well as the spiritual needs of the people. He was a member of the Masonic order, his apron being now in the possession of one of his grandsons.

His death in the early part of March, 1852, came as a distinct shock to his family. He had gone to Appalachicola to preach and while conducting services there he was stricken with pneumonia and died shortly after. His body was accompanied to his home by a representative of the church which he was serving at the time. He was survived by a wife and six children, viz:

1 William Marian Jones.

2 James Taliaferro Jones.

3 John Mallory Jones, b Dec. 16, 1845, d July 10, 1857.

4 Seaborn Henry Jones, b April 22, 1847, d Aug. 25, 1889.

5 Esther Kitturah Jones, b Aug. 22, 1849, d June 27, 1862.

6 Sarah Ellen Jones.

William Marion Jones, identified as No. 1, eighth line, was born Sept. 8, 1841. He entered the Civil War, and died Feb. 12, 1863.

James Taliaferro Jones, identified as No. 2, eighth line, was born June 18, 1843, married Sarah Eunice Law, April 20, 1871. She was born October 16, 1846. Mrs. (Law) Jones, was descended from the Christian, Walton, Law, Washburn, Cobb and Massingale families, of Virginia, South Carolina, and Tennessee. James Taliaferro Jones was a Confederate veteran, serving from 1862 to 1865 in the War between the States, died Jan. 23, 1915 at West Hickory St., Denton, Texas, the funeral services being conducted by the Rev. M. E. Hudson. James Taliaferro Jones, was born in Wilkinson county Ga., but his parents moved, when he was only two years old, to Florida, where he grew to young manhood. His principal service in the War between the States was in the 2nd Cavalry. He was discharged at Quincy, Fla., May 16, 1865. Soon after his discharge he moved to Texas with his mother and family, and settled in Grimes county, later moving to Madison county, Texas. Mr. Jones went to Denton in 1873 and soon became identified with the public interest of Pilot Point. He entered into partnership with D. J. Moffet, as senior

Editor of the Pilot Point Post, one of the pioneer newspapers of North Texas. The fact that this paper survived the indignant protests of the lawless element, then in power, is no small compliment to its founders.

Mr. Jones was a staunch man, a deacon in the Baptist Church for nearly forty years, and stood fearlessly for law, order and Christian citizenship. Children were:

- A Clara Bell Jones, b Feb. 17, 1872, died young.
- B Lenora Ellen Jones.
- C Mamie Law Jones.
- D Albert Sidney Jones, b Sept. 15, 1878, died young.
- E Richard Taliaferro Jones.
- F Victor Christian Jones.
- G Willie Jones.

Lenora Ellen Jones, who is identified by B, eighth line, married Sidney Johnston Jones, No. 8, tenth line, which see. Res. 721 W. Hickory St., Denton, Tex.

Mamie Law Jones, identified as C above, was born Jan. 13, 1876, married Samuel Houston Sullivan, Oct. 26, 1898. Res. Box 24, Sanger, Texas. Children:

- a Jack Taliaferro Sullivan.
- b Frances Marion Law Sullivan.
- c Eunice Douschka Sullivan.

Richard Taliaferro Jones, identified as E above, was born Aug. 26, 1880, married July 5, 1916, May Ree Hunt, res. 625 East Park Ave., San Antonio, Texas. One child:

- a Roland Taliaferro Jones.

Victor Christian Jones, identified as F above, was born Dec. 29, 1882, married Sept. 15, 1915, Carrie McCraran, res. 140 E. French Place, San Antonio, Tex. No issue.

Willie Jones, identified as G above, was born Jan. 8, 1887, married Herman Carl Schultz, Jr., June 15, 1910. Res. 367 South Rugby Ave., Hunting Park, California. Children:

- a Herman Carl Schultz.
- b Charles Frederick Schultz.

Sarah Ellen Jones, No. 6, 8th line, was born May 1, 1851, married Solomon H. Bryant, who was a son of Capt. Alex Bryant and Mrs. Kate Bryant, in 1881. Mr. S. H. Bryant died Jan. 11, 1897. Mrs. Bryant was born in Marianna, Fla., and died at Dallas, Texas, Nov. 7, 1921. Children:

- A Alvin Cleveland Bryant, Au-

brey, Texas.

B Bertie Bryant. (Mrs. R. C. Hames, 2226 Garrett Ave., Dallas, Tex.)

C Vera Bryant, Dallas, Texas.

Alvin Cleveland Bryant, A above, born July 26, 1883, married May Smith, June 24, 1911, the daughter of James and Fannie Smith, of Aubrey, Texas. Children:

- a Alton Morris Bryant, b Nov. 10, 1913.
- b Norman Dale Bryant, b Dec. 10, 1925.

Bertie Bryant, B above, was born Nov. 8, 1888, married Rollic C. Hames, May 27, 1916, res 2226 Garrett, Ave., Dallas, Texas. Children:

- a Elaine Hames, b and d Jan. 2, 1919.
- b Ellen Kathleen Hames, b June 14, 1921.

Rollic C. Hames, parents were Thomas and Elizabeth Hames, of South Carolina.

Vera Bryant, C above, was born Oct. 8, 1892, 2226 Garrett Ave., Dallas, Texas.

Dr. Taliaferro Jones, Tenth Line.

Dr. Taliaferro Jones was born in Wilkinson County, Ga., Dec. 24, 1818. Soon after completing a course at Augusta Medical College, Augusta, Ga. married Caroline Jane Saxon, daughter of Benjamin Saxon, of Twiggs County, April 23rd, 1845. In 1856 they moved to Dougherty county, settling on the East side of the river, two miles from town. During the war between the states he joined a cavalry troop, but before his company left for the front, was requisitioned by the Government to remain at home to care for the sick in the Eastern part of the county.

He led an active life in the pursuit of his profession until 1873, when ill health forced his retirement from practice. He moved with his family the same year to Albany, where he continued to reside until his death in May 1891. Dr. and Mrs. Jones had the following children:

- 1 Mary Tallulah Jones Massey.
- 2 Paul Eve Jones, died young.
- 3 Laura Cornela Jones Alfriend.
- 4 Henry Clay Jones.
- 5 Benjamin Taliaferro Jones, b Nov. 1, 1855, died young.
- 6 Frances Esther Jones Boon.
- 7 Francis Bartow Jones, b Aug.



26, 1859, d Mar. 15, 1914.

8 Sidney Johnston Jones.

9 Annie Lee Jones Dasher.

Mary Tallulah Jones, identified as No. 1. 10th line, was born Aug. 14, 1846, married Benjamin Massey, Apr. 7, 1868. Issue:

A Caroline Massey.

B Talaferro Massey, d unmarried.

C Mabel Massey.

D Daisy Massey.

Caroline Massey, A above, married Phillip Everett Pearce. Children:

a Louise Creswell Pearce, m Humphrey Tomkins. Children: Humphrey Tomkins, Jr.; and Jane Massey Tomkins.

Mabel Massey, C above, married Walter Britt Rogers. Children:

a Caroline Rogers, m Wiley S. Whitehead. Issue: June Whitehead.

b Walter Britt Rogers, Jr., died young.

c Elizabeth Rogers, m Frank A. Bowers. Mrs. Bowers was born July 14, 1906 at Manassas Va. Mr. Bowers is a son of Estelle Todd and James Andrew Bowers. Marriage occurred Aug. 29, 1923. Frank Andrew Bowers, Jr., born, Feb. 12, 1922.

d Lewis Rogers.

e Eleanor Rogers.

Daisy Massey, D above, married Elmo Peyton Nowlin, they have one child:

a Elizabeth Nowlin.

Laura Cornelia Jones, born Aug. 9, 1850, identified as 3, 10th line, married James E. Alfriend, Nov. 26, 1867. They had one child, Lillian Pauline Alfriend.

Henry Clay Jones, No. 4, 10th line, was born March 12, 1852, married Camilla Sims, Nov. 6, 1879. No issue.

Frances Esther Jones, No. 6, 10th line, was born June 20, 1857, married first, S. Jerome Harris, March 10, 1880, second, B. F. Boon. By her first husband she had one child, Hugh Harris, who died young.

Sidney Johnston Jones, who is No. 8 of the 10th line, was born Sept. 3, 1861, married his cousin, Lenora Ellen Jones, of Denton, Texas, on Feb. 21, 1895. Mrs. Jones is identified as B, 8th line.

Sidney Johnston Jones, was born and reared in Dougherty County, Ga. He attended the schools at Al-

bany until the age of 17 when he entered the law office of Wooten & Jones, where he read law for two years under Judge W. T. Jones, and was admitted to the bar on April 23, 1880. During the next two years he practiced with Judge D. A. Vason, one of the foremost lawyers of Georgia. On Jan. 1, 1887, Mr. Jones formed a partnership with Judge Samuel W. Smith, which continued until the death of Judge Smith in 1915. They specialized in Title abstracting and in conveyancing, and in this line of work, enjoyed for years, the largest practice in the section. Mr. Jones was a member of the Albany City Council, 1891, served as solicitor of County Court, now the City Court of Albany, from 1892 to 1896. At the time of his death, Mr. Jones in the point of service was the oldest member of the Albany bar. The author knew him for a few years before his death, but the relationship was quite pleasant for the short time of the acquaintance. His death occurred in 1925, funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. N. Peacock, pastor of the First Methodist Church and Dr. J. B. Turner, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Pall bearers were: Messrs. John H. Clark, W. H. Warren, Sr., H. H. Tarver, S. S. Bennett, Judge Clayton Jones and Cruger Westbrook. The above information was obtained from the notice of the death as published by the Albany Herald.

His wife was a daughter of James Taliaferro Jones, and was born at Pilot Point, Texas, June 16, 1873. She soon entered Franklin Seminary, later attending the public schools of Denton, Texas, she also attended the North Texas State Normal. Afterwards, she attended Baylor Female College, Belton, Texas, two years, graduating from the Art department of the Institute in 1892. On moving to Albany, she promptly identified herself with the religious, literary, civic and patriotic activities of the city. She was a charter member of the Albany Woman's Club, and of the Hospital Aid Association, serving both organizations as recording secretary. Until leaving Albany, after the death of her husband, she was an enthusiastic member of the Chautauqua, Literary and Scientific circles, graduating in 1915. By her regular



and systematic study she earned forty-nine seals for her diploma. During the World War she gave herself completely to the service of her country, which she served as Director in the Surgical Training Department of the local Red Cross, and also as Director of publicity for the Woman's organization of the Dougherty County Red Cross Association. She also conducted the Navy knitting club under the auspices of the Thronateska Chapter, D. A. R. She was for many years historian for the local Chapter, U. D. C's of Albany and was Regent from May, 1916 to May, 1918, during which time the Chapter grew in membership and efficiency and met every obligation imposed by the great War. In 1920, Mrs. Jones was elected to the office of Librarian of Georgia, D. A. R., in which she was eminently successful, due to her great love of books and her interest in genealogies. Mrs. Jones has a wonderful collection of scrap books which she has compiled. She rendered the people of Dougherty county invaluable service in connection with the History of Dougherty County which was issued under the auspices of the Thronateska Chapter D. A. R. Mrs. Jones is a genealogist of no mean quality and has done some very valuable genealogical research work. In her manuscript of the Taliaferro family which was published a few years ago by the Look-out Magazine of Chattanooga, Tennessee, she attracted considerable attention and has been of invaluable aid to those interested in this work since.

She has been of wonderful help to the author in this work and it is to be regretted that because of the loss of her husband and family cares and her financial interests which require so much of her time, she has not been able to take over this Sketch which would have been so much better if she could have prepared it.

Annie Lee Jones, identified as 9 of the 10th line, was born March 7, 1864, married Arthur Lee Dasher, Dec. 7, 1886, res. 528 Broad St., Albany, Ga., children:

A Myrtiee Dasher, married Dr. Mark E. Perkins, March 4, 1916. They have one child, M. E. Perkins, Jr.

B Capt. Arthur Lee Dasher, soldier in the World War, married

Lois Elizabeth Wright, daughter of Mr. Harry Wright and Harriet (Bullock) Wright and granddaughter of general Robert Bullock, of Fla., April 2, 1913. Mrs. Dasher died Nov. 1925. Mr. Dasher was born May 10, 1890. Issue: Arthur Lee Dasher, Jr., Elizabeth Care Dasher and Harriett Ann Dasher.

C Gladys Dasher.

D Mark Dasher.

E Lois Dasher, married William Robinson Pate, March 22, 1917. Their residence is 188 37th, St. Milwaukee, Wis. They have two children: Lois Elizabeth Pate and James Saxon Pate.

F Frances Dasher, married Leonard Bailey, children: Leonard Bailey, Jr., Lanier Bailey and Ann Celeste Bailey.

G Sidney Jones Dasher.

H Saxon Lanier Dasher.

Francis Marion Jones, 11th Line.

Francis Marion Jones, was born Aug. 11, 1822, was the son of John Lawrence and Lucy (Taliaferro) Jones, married Rebecca Etheridge. Children:

1 Marcellus Jones, b 1843, died when 14 years of age.

2 George N. Jones, b Jan. 3, 1844, served in Civil War, married Hopie Thomson, res. Pine Hurst, Ga. Issue: Sallie Jones, Richard Jones, killed in railroad accident, Cordele, Ga., 1910; William Jones.

George N. Jones married second, Cora Mask, issue: Eva Mildred Jones; others died young.

3 John Thomas Jones, born Nov. 3, 1848, married Sarah Collins. Issue: Anna Roe Jones, David Jones, Zebulon Burdette Jones, Fort Gaines, Ga., Orrie Mella Jones, Sidney Johnston Jones, killed in railroad accident, Birmingham, Ala., Sallie Jones, Samuel Porter Jones, Henry Clay Jones, 1913 Crenshaw Boulevard, Los Angeles, Cal., Taliaferro Jones, Mabel Jones, Aaron Jones, killed by breaking of telephone pole, two infants deceased.

4 Hopie Ann Jones, married first S. J. Monk, second J. F. Scaife, Mrs. Scaife was married to Mr. Monk, Feb. 1, 1887, upon his death which occurred, Nov. 5, 1893, she married J. F. Scaife in Baker County, Georgia, Dec. 23, 1894.

No issue.

- 5 Taliaferro M. Jones, married Augusta Jenkins. He was born June 15, 1857, died May 28, 1903. Issue: Homer, res. 99 Jeff Davis St., Macon, Ga. Bycie, Benniah H., res. New York City, Paul Talliaferro Jones, b Oct. 28, 1887, at Smithville, Ga. m Bertye Chitty, Jan 16, 1914, daughter of Wm. H. Chitty and Rachael Moore. Their children are, Hachael Augusta Jones, b March 23, 1923; Pauline Jones, b Aug. 28, 1925. Talliaferro M. Jones has 2 other children, Mamie and Beff. Beff deceased.
- 6 Benniah H. Jones, born July 15, 1857, married Lula Rakestraw. Issue: Alma Jones and Bertie Jones.

7 Gertrude Jones, born Aug. 31, 1860, married Henry Taylor.

- 8 Georgia Rebecca Jones, born July 8, 1863, married "Dock" Sanders. Issue: Bessie Brown Sanders, Carrie Rebecca Sanders, Benniah Sanders, Grady Sanders, Otis Sanders, Ethel Sanders, Edith Sanders, Eva Sanders.

Seaborn Jones, 12th Line.

Seaborn Jones, born Jan. 22, 1824, son of John Lawrence and Lucy (Taliaferro) Jones, married

Issue:

- 1 Thomas Jones.
- 2 Robert Jones, married
- 3 Taliaferro Jones.
- 4 Seaborn Jones, married
- 5 Alice Jones, married Marion Helms. Issue: Two sons.
- 6 Ida Jones.



HARDEN HINTS AND GENEALOGIES

MARK HARDIN

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CHAPTER VIII

There has been much confusion in regard to the early history of this family. A great many immigrants have come to America bearing the name of Hardin, Harden and Harding. The tendency among genealogists has been to get these various families of Hardins confused and connect them up, although no actual relationship exists.

In my work in connection with the Jones, Clay and Taliaferro families I have succeeded in discovering information which I think will be of importance to those interested in the Hardin family and this sketch is written, first, to supply information to Taliaferro and Clay descendants who are also descended from the Hardin family, and, second, to be a guide for future study for the history of this family. Lack of space and expense of printing forbids my giving documents in support of these genealogies. The reader is referred to Collin's "History of Kentucky", "Life of Col. Ben. Hardin", "History of Savannah and South Georgia" by Col. Hardin, "History of Georgia Baptists", Bench and Bar of Georgia", "History of Thomas County" and numerous documents of county records still extant.

Mark Hardin was born in Rouen, France in 1660. When he was about twenty five years old Louis XIV issued the edict of Restoration, October 20, 1685, which had the effect of revoking the edict of Nantes. Mark Harden was a Huguenot and immediately fled from France, settling either in England or Wales. He married Mary Hogue, also spelled Hoge, but whether the marriage occurred before he fled from France or after is uncertain. Residing for a short while in England or Wales, he later moved to Canada with his family, but because

of the rigid winters, came south and settled in Virginia about 1706, where he resided in Prince William County until the time of his death about 1734.

It is possible that his residence was in that part of Prince William county which was cut off and organized into Fauquier county in 1759. It is probable that Mark Hardin had brothers who also came to America and settled. Evidence indicates that William Harden, who settled in South Carolina, and who was the ancestor of Gen. William Hardin of Marion's Command and also Major Edward Harden, of Athens, Ga. was a brother. Children of Mark Hardin and Mary Hogue Harden were:

- 1st. John Hardin .
- 2nd. Martin Hardin
- 3rd. Mark Hardin
- 4th. Henry Hardin
- 5th Martha or Polly Hardin
- 6th Abigail Hardin
- 7th. Anne Hardin
- 8th. Elizabeth Hardin
- 9th. Alis Hardin

See will of Probate, Prince William County, Va.

HENRY HARDIN (4th Line)

Henry Hardin married Judith Lynch a near relative of Charles Lynch. He is said to have assisted at the Battle of King's Mountain, but was probably not a member of any regular organization because of his age. He was living in Pittsylvania County at the time of his death, which occurred about 1796. Date of his birth is not known, but it was probably about 1710. Children were:

1. Avarillah Hardin, m a Wright.
2. Mary Hardin, m Capt. John Taliaferro. (See Taliaferro, Clay and Jones sketches for descend-

ants.

3. Mark Hardin.
4. William Hardin.
5. Elizabeth Hardin, m a Wilson.
6. Judith Hardin, m a Burgess.
7. Martin Hardin.
8. Henry Hardin.
9. Sarah Hardin, m a Burkhalter

Mark Hardin (3) moved from Virginia to North Carolina, where he resided for a good many years. He was twice married, first to Mary Hunter and second to Frances Newsome, the last marriage occurring in Warren County, Georgia. He was a soldier in the French and Indian War, serving under Gen. Washington at Braddock's Defeat. Many have thought he served in the Revolution, which is entirely probable, but the service record assigned to him probably belonged to another Mark Hardin, who died in Kentucky. (See will, Warren County, Ga. Children by his first wife were:

- A. Henry Hardin .
- B. Mark Hardin, m Frances Hill in N. C. served as major in war of 1812, and had children: William Hill Hardin, b 1794, d 1884; John Hardin, died while Cadet in West Point; Lauriston Hardin, b 1803, d 1858; Pleasant H. Hardin; Mark Hardin; Cynthia Hardin; Harriet Hardin; Susan M. Hardin.
- C. Martin Hardin, d unmarried about 1847 in Decatur County, Ga where he left a considerable estate and much of the proceedings of his administration is on record in Bainbridge, Ga.
- D. James Hardin.
- E. John Hardin.
- F. Polly or Mary Hardin, m Jas. George and they were ancestors of the late U. S. Senator George from Mississippi.
- G. Georgia Hardin.
- H. Judith Hardin.
- I. Willis Hardin.
- J. Sallie or Sarah Hardin.

By second wife:

- K. Martha or Patsy Hardin, m Jacob Garrard and resided at Columbus, Ga, and were ancestors of the late Louis Garrard of that place.
- L. Nancy Hardin, m Clark Blandford. They also resided at Columbus, Ga., and their son, Mark Blandford was one of the Supreme Court Judges of the State of Georgia.
- M. William S. Hardin, attorney at

law, d unmarried.

Henry Hardin (A) married first Sarah or Effie Cook, and second Matilda Jones. Children are said to have all been by his second wife. Henry Hardin was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, enlisting from Surrey Co. N. C. His pension record shows that he was born April 12, 1761, Johnston County N. C. (See will Walton County, Ga.) Children were:

- a Effie Hardin, b Dec. 9, 1781, m Richard Fletcher, Warren County Ga., 1803. They were ancestors of U. S. Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, of Florida.
- b Judith Hardin, b Sept. 14, 1783, m Thomas Stephens.
- c Elizabeth Hardin, b Oct. 1, 1785 m first, Eads, 3children by Eads, m second Taylor.
- d Mark Hardin, b March 8 1789, m Mary Hadley, one child.
- e Benjamin Cook Hardin, b Nov. 16, 1792, d Dec. 10, 1847.
- f Edward Jones Hardin, b Jan. 8, 1795.
- g Rebecca Thomas Hardin, b Dec. 12, 1798, m Rice Green.
- h Claressa Warren Harden, b Sept. 12, 1801, m Fen Gordon.
- i Harriet Hargrove Hardin, b July 11, 1804, m Wiley Thornton.

Edward Jones Hardin (a)

Edward Jones Hardin, b 1795, d 1856, at Columbus, Ga., m Miss Jane Louisa Barrett in Augusta, Ga. She was born in 1803 and died at La-Grange, Ga., 1886. Mr. Hardin appears to have moved quite early to Port Saint Joseph, Fla., where they resided for a time, later moving to Columbus, Ga. Children were:

- 1' Ellen Jane Hardin, d unmarried
- 2' Georgia W. Hardin m Samuel Law.
- 3' Martin Benjamin Hardin m first Susie Taylor, second Josephine Law. Was a celebrated Baptist minister. A biographical sketch of his life is published on page 249, "History of Georgia Baptists."
- 4' Edward Henry Hardin, m Ellen S. Rodgers in Augusta, Ga., 1861.
- 5' Clara Hardin, deceased, never married.
- 6' Henrietta Matilda Hardin, b May 1, 1827, m first James Henry Carter, 2nd, Gen. James E. Harrison. She died July 30, 1909, in Waco, Texas. A son, Mr. James M. Carter resides in Waco and



has supplied considerable of the information necessary for the foregoing.

MARTIN HARDIN

There appears two Martin Hardins in Fauquier County, Va., information relating to Martin Hardin the first is rather meager. It appears that he had children as follows:

1. Martin Hardin, b 1720.
2. William Hardin, b 1722.
3. Mark Hardin, b 1723.
4. John Hardin, b 1724.
5. Benjamin Hardin, b 1726.

The name of his wife is uncertain. It has been stated that he married Lydia Waters, but the truth of this statement has not been established. This Martin Hardin was evidently the son of Mark Hardin and Mary Hogue of Prince William County, Va.

MARTIN HARDIN II.

Martin Hardin, II, of Fauquier county, Virginia, is said to have married Lydia Waters. He was evidently a grandson of Mark Hardin and Mary Hogue Hardin. I do not have sufficient information to determine as to which it was that married Lydia Waters. The wife of Martin Hardin II was certainly named Lydia, but as to whether or not her maiden name was waters, Hardin or some other name I am unable to say at this time. Children of Martin Hardin II were:

1. Sarah Hardin, b April 10, 1743.
2. Lydia Hardin, b April 10, 1748.
3. Mark Hardin b Dec. 1, 1750.
4. John Hardin, b Oct. 1, 1753.
5. Martin Hardin, b Feb. 1, 1757.
6. Rosannah Hardin, b March 9, 1760.

John Hardin (4), married Jane Davis Hardin and had four children:

- A. Sarah Hardin, b 1774.
- B. Martin Hardin.
- C. Mark Hardin, b 1780.
- D. Mary Hardin, died young.
- E. Lydia Hardin, died young.
- F. Rosannah Hardin b 1791 m Curtis Fields.

Martin Hardin (B) married Elizabeth Logan, daughter of Gen. Logan. This was Gen. Martin D. Hardin, who served as a major in the war of 1812 under Gen. Harrison. He served as Senator of Kentucky and died in 1823. Children were:

- a. Gen. John J. Hardin, of Ill.
- b. Gen. Martin D. Hardin, of the Civil War, d at St. Augustine, Florida.

c. Mrs. Ellen Hardin Walworth, one of the organizers of the D. A. R. and who died in 1915.

N. B. It was the mother of these three children who as a widow married Porter Clay, as shown by the Clay family. Chapter II.

JOHN HARDIN

This John Hardin is largely traditional and no records have been found extant relating to him. The cumulative evidence, however is that he was a resident of Virginia and circumstantial evidence indicates most strongly that he moved from Virginia to North Carolina where he died about the time of the Revolutionary War. No definite proof has been found to connect him with the Mark Hardin line. However, the facts and circumstances indicate that he was so connected. It is not known who he married, but it is thought that his wife and the wife of Mark Hardin, the 1st, of Georgia were related in some way. Children:

1. Adam Hardin.
2. Nicholas Hardin.
3. Eve Hardin, m David Clay, and for her descendants reference is made to Chap. IV. of the Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays.
4. Lois Hardin, m Turnel Hayden.

Tradition says that there were 3 other sons as follows: John, Mark and William, but I have been unable to clearly establish this.

Adam Hardin, son of John Hardin, above, was one of the first of the Hardins of whom we have any record in Georgia. He evidently came to Georgia when quite a young man, but the name of his wife is not known. He drew land in Wilkes County in 1789 and in Washington County in 1790, later moving to Putnam County where he died and where his will is probated. Children were:

- 1 John Harden, who m Elizabeth Spivey, sister of Moses Spivey, whomarried Sarah Harden.
- 2 Adam Harden, Jr. m first, Priscilla Adams, Nov. 2, 1818, and m second, Ann Elizabeth Flemming, by whom there are children.
3. Hutson Harden. No further information.
4. Mary Harden, m Abraham Roberts. This family lived in Coweta County, where they were pioneers of that section.

5. Sarah Harden, m Moses Spivey, and they were ancestors of Jessie Spivey who married Gov. Jos. M. Terrell.
6. William Henry Harden, is said to have moved to Florida and was killed by Indians.
7. Atkinson Tabor Harden, m Rebecca Cloud, lived at Rome, Ga., but have no descendants living.
8. Sandlin Harden, m Polly Stevenson, had one child, Rhoda Harden, who married a Carlisle, of Troup County, Ga. and died probably without issue.
9. Lennie Harden, m Moore Stevenson. This family originally lived in Coweta County, Ga. Most of the children moved to Texas. The children were named: William Stevenson, Thomas Stevenson, Franklin Stevenson, Joseph Stevenson, James Stevenson, Augustus Stevenson, Elizabeth Stevenson and Emma Stevenson.

Nicholas Hardin (2) son of John Hardin, died in Washington County, Ga. The name of his wife is not known. Children were.

- A James Monroe Hardin, b 1737, d Aug. 6, 1862, m first Polly Reeves, name of second wife, not known.
- B John Hardin, served as clerk of Baptist Church, Washington Co., and later moved to Ala.
- C Thomas Hardin.
- D William Hardin, d a bachelor.
- E Nicholas Hardin, d a bachelor.
- F Adam Hardin, moved to Sumter County, Ga., and resided near Americus for a time, later moving to Florida or Alabama.
- G Mary, or Polly Hardin, m William Monroe Clay. See "Georgia Branch of the Virginia Clays" Chap. V.
- H Elizabeth, or Betsy Hardin, m a Glenn.
- I Sallie Hardin, m Richard Smith.

VALENTINE HARDIN

Valentine Hardin is said to have been a nephew of John Hardin above, and the first cousin of Adam Hardin, the first. Tradition is that he was born in 1770. He married Margaret Castleberry about 1790 or 91, died in 1800, age thirty years. He is buried in Washington County, Georgia. His children were:

1. Betsy Hardin m William Barton
2. Sallie Hardin, m James Dowdy.

3. Rosa Hardin, m Carter Crew, and lived near Dallas, Ga.

4. William Henry Hardin.

William Henry Hardin, (4) was b Jan. 29, 1798, married Nancy Cloud, Sept. 21, 1820. Children were:

- A Martha Hardin, b Dec. 3, 1821, m Dr. Swan Burnette, at Cassvill, Ga., Sept. 8, 1835, d on plantation in Clay County, Ga., 1841, buried at Fort Gaines.
- B Elizabeth Amanda Hardin b in McDonough, Ga., Nov. 22, 1823, m James M. Spurlock, Nov. 25, 1838, at Armurchee plantation, in Floyd County, near Rome Ga.
- C Mary Blanche Hardin, b June 10, 1828 at McDonough, Ga., m William Johnstone at the Armurchee Plantation, Aug. 9, 1843, d at Rome., Ga. 1853.
- D Mark A. Hardin, b at McDonough, Ga., Sept. 21, 1830, d at Atlanta, Ga., m Emma Sullivan, of Greenville District, S. C., Jan. 15, 1851. Legislator from Bartow County, Ga., and Reading Clerk, Georgia House of Representatives for several years.
- E Josephine Hardin, b at Armurchee Platanion, Feb. 21, 1839, d at Kingston, Ga. m John A. Beck, of Griffin, Ga., 1858.
- F John Forsyth Hardin b at Armurchee plantation, Oct. 9, 1842, m Mary Roper, at Kingston, Ga. Sept. 31, 1872, d in Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 3, 1887. There were two girls who died young.

WILLIAM HARDIN

One William Harden settled in South Carolina some time before 1720. He is supposed to have gone from Kent, England to the Island of Barbadoes, and from there to South Carolina. Very little is definitely known of this William Harden, but it is quite likely that he was a brother of Mark Harden, of Prince William County, Va. He had a son, William Hardin, b Nov. 22, 1720, who died in Prince William Parish, S. C., Sept 12, 1760. This William had a son, William Harden, who was a colonel of a regiment under Gen. Frances Marion during the war of the Revolution. He was born in Prince William Parish, S. C. Sept. 8, 1742, and died there Nov. 28, 1785. This William Harden was the father of Thomas Hutson Harden and brother of Edward Harden, and from these two, Thomas Hutson Hardin and Ed-

ward Harden, the Hardens, of Athens Ga., and Savannah, Ga., originated. Col. William Hardin and Major Edward Harden had a sister, Rebecca, who married a White and they are the ancestors of the Stillwells, of Rome, Ga.

Other Hardens that should be mentioned in this connection are Henry Harden and Joel Harden, both of whom married Crabtrees. From these are descended the Hardens of Stewart and those around Andersonville.

There are several other Hardens mentioned in the early records of Ga. most of whom probably belong to the family of Mark Harden of Prince William County, Va. To trace them out and connect them up is beyond the scope of this work. Later, if sufficient interest should be manifested this may be done.

BEHEATHLAND LUVINIA (CLAY) RIGSBY.

The subject of this brief sketch was the mother of the author of the foregoing sketches. They were prepared in response to an oft repeated request made before her death. The author had intended to delay their preparation and publication until he had reached a more advanced age and demand for the work had become more insistent. But upon having been brought rather close to death in 1921 and having been made to realize the uncertainty of life and the danger of dying without having fulfilled my mother's request I began the work. The work is therefore really my mother's and I have been only the instrument in executing her designs. I have been placed under obligation to so many of my kindred that it is impossible to enumerate and give credit to all, but in addition to my mother, all kindred whose names appear in the foregoing sketches are gratefully thanked, and every mention is honorable. My mother was known in her girlhood as "Hettie" or "Hetthie" Clay and it was this name that she liked best. She was the youngest child of Lewis Clay and Judith (Jones) Clay, and was born Oct. 31st, 1839 in Wilkinson Co. Georgia. Her parents moved to Sumter county, Georgia while she was quite young. Remaining there for only a few years the family moved to Lee County, Georgia. She was living

in Lee County near where Dawson, Georgia is now situated when Terrell County was organized.

She was educated under Professor McNulty at Dawson and taught for several years, teaching in several counties of the State. Her methods were in advance of the period in which she taught and many of the boys and girls taught by her have made a success of their lives.

December the 11th 1866 she was married to Lewis Johnson Riggsby, the ceremony having been performed in Decatur County, Georgia, by her brother the Rev. John B. Clay.

Her complexion was fair, eyes gray, hair auburn and her height about five feet and six inches and she weighed from one hundred forty pounds when young to one hundred eighty when older. Her features were agreeable and her face the most expressive of her emotions of any that I have ever seen. Grief, pain, suffering, pleasure, or anger stamped themselves unmistakably on her features.

Her mentality was well developed along lines of literature and science. Her memory, imagination, reason and judgment was all of a high order. For several years her health was poor but it was due to no organic cause, rather of a nervous character.

Her ideals were high, her morals above criticism and her temperament religious. She had some musical talent and sometimes had premonitions of coming events.

She joined the Baptist church when quite young at Dawson Ga., and remained a consistent Christian during her entire life, her membership having been at various times with New Hope, Cairo, Pleasant Grove and Capel Churches. She took an active interest in Sunday Schools and Missionary activities. It was probably a Sunday School organized and taught by her that laid the foundation for the organization of the Capel Baptist Church.

Her interest in the unfortunate was always sympathetic and she extended the helping hand to alleviate the suffering of many such.

During the last term of school she taught she became attached to one of the pupils in her school, the daughter of a widow, Mrs. Subrina Hesters, and the attachment being mutual, and the

child's mother consenting thereto, the child was taken as an adopted daughter. Between these two there existed a mutual bond of affection equal if not superior, to most mothers and daughters. This extended to and lasted until the death of my mother.

She was a faithful wife and devoted daughter, providing a home for her aged father and mother until their death. She was also one of the wisest and kindest of mothers.

Her death occurred at Cairo, Ga., Oct. 28th, 1916 and her grave is by that of her husband at Long Branch Cemetery, one head stone marking both graves.

Children were Istalina Attwood who died at ten years of age; Lewis Wiley author of this Sketch and Jennie the adopted daughter who married Robert M. Mott, December 1888. Mrs. Mott is now a resident of Cairo, Georgia, her husband having died a few years past.





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